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'This time we're evacuating early rather than wait for the emergency teams.'

CARMEN MACIAS, helping with sandbags for her mother's Talmage home

County weathers storm



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Overflow from the Russian River makes for wet driving on Talmage Road Friday afternoon, moments before CalTrans closed the roadway east of the Highway 101 overcrossing.



Carmen Macias and her mother, Margarita Pulido, load free sandbags onto a truck at the Department of Transportation during Macias' lunch hour Friday. She said that preparing for flooding at her mother's home is an annual event.

No serious problems from Friday's rain, but more on the way

By BEN BROWN
The Daily Journal

Storms that brought heavy rain to the county Friday caused minor flooding and some road closures but no serious problems.

The Mendocino County Office of Emergency Services issued a warning Friday morning of a major storm bearing down on the county, bringing sustained winds of up to 45 mph and as much as five inches of rain.

According to the OES, flash flooding could be expected in the smaller creeks in low lying areas. The National Oceanographic Atmospheric Administration was predicting that the Navarro River would overflow its



banks by Friday afternoon.

In Hopland, CalTrans closed Highway 175 between Old River Road and Highway 101 when Doolin Creek overflowed its banks, flooding the roadway.

In anticipation of localized flooding, the county is providing sand and sandbags in several locations, including the Mendocino

Weather-related road closures

- Comptche Ukiah Road** at milepost .3 because of a downed powerline and at milepost 12 because of a tree blocking the road at 4 a.m. Friday. Road crews opened the road at milepost 12 by 3 p.m. Friday.
- South State Street** was closed at around 6 a.m. because of down powerlines but was reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.
- South Dora Street** was closed because of down powerlines at 6 a.m. and was reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.
- Oak Knoll Road** was closed because of down powerlines at 6 a.m. and was reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.
- Little Lake Road** was closed at 6 a.m. and remained closed Friday night.
- Surfwood Road** was closed at the intersection of Little Lake Road at 6 a.m. and remained closed Friday night.
- Albion Ridge Road** was closed at 6 a.m. and remained closed Friday night.
- Philo Greenwood Road** was closed at 6 a.m. between milepost seven and eight because of

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To our readers:

Production delays and concern for carrier safety may cause disruptions in our circulation efforts during this week-end's stormy weather. We apologize for any delivery delays that may occur.

County Department of Transportation office on Lake Mendocino Drive, on Commercial Avenue in Willits, at the Hopland Fire Department and the Fort Bragg Fire Department.

Carmen Macias and Margarita Pulido were taking advantage of the program Friday, collecting sandbags to barricade their Talmage area home.

"The river goes over the banks every year,"

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UKIAH CITY COUNCIL ON MARIJUANA:

Council supports repeal of Measure G

By ROB BURGESS
The Daily Journal

At a special meeting Friday, the Ukiah City Council unanimously approved the formulation of a letter in support of a proposed ballot initiative to repeal Measure G, the adoption of the state limits in regard to medical marijuana and the establishment of 25 plants per parcel as a set guideline.

The letter was placed on the council's agenda in response to a timed item on the issue set for about 1:45 p.m. at Tuesday's Mendocino County Board of Supervisors meeting in the board's chambers.

On Nov. 8, 2000, Mendocino County voters approved Measure G, a resolution calling for the decriminalization of personal use and cultivation of marijuana, by a vote of 58 percent.

At the Dec. 11 Board of Supervisors meeting, the board voted 3-2 to restrict the number of marijuana plants allowed on any one parcel of land to 25, regardless of the number of qualified patients residing there.

Ukiah City Councilmember John McCowen said rolling back the amount of marijuana allowed in the county to the

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Rickel ballot effort on pot under attack

By BEN BROWN
The Daily Journal

Jimmy Rickel's ballot measure, which would change the way Mendocino County deals with marijuana, will likely remain on the ballot despite a challenge by Measure G author Richard Johnson, but Johnson's case is not the only legal challenge the measure faces.

"It's a hard sell for me to make a ruling that would take Mr. Rickel's initiative off the ballot," said Superior Court Judge John Behnke before taking the issue under advisement.

Johnson is asking the court to order the county to take the initiative off the ballot because he says the title and summary on the initiative are misleading.

Johnson said the summary omits the part of Rickel's ballot measure that says the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office should make marijuana prosecution its number one priority.

"If that were in the summary I think most county residents would vote against it," he said.

Johnson's case is not the only legal hurdle Rickel's ballot measure will have to clear before June.

On Dec. 20, Ukiah resident Ross Liberty filed a lawsuit asking the court to instruct the Mendocino County Clerks Office not to accept any signatures in support of Rickel's initiative because he said it "impairs the budgeting authority of the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors," according to court filings.

Liberty is working on his own initiative that would repeal Measure G and leave the number of plants legally allowed for a medical marijuana patient up to the county Board of Supervisors.

The board will meet Tuesday to discuss passing an ordinance that would repeal Measure G, thus bypassing the initiative process.

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FUNERAL NOTICES



JAMES GEORGE BRACEWELL

James George Bracewell, also known to many as “Jamie” born 29 November, 1981, passed away on 2 January, 2008 at his home in Ukiah, California. James was a wonderful son and brother, who loved his family and God very much. He struggled with mental illness for many years of his young life. Our family was so lucky to have been blessed with him for 26 years and all though it will never be enough time for us, we are hanging onto our wonderful memories. He never really knew how many lives he touched with his tenderness and many acts of loving kindness. He was blessed with many natural talents as an athlete, musician, linguist and artist, who had performed with the junior symphony and often for his family. His love of animals was a true gift. He always greeted everyone with his beautiful sweet smile. His blue eyes seemed to reach into everyone he met. He always met his mom at the door with an arm and a laugh, helping her get into the house. He loved his dad and step-mother and would often go to dinner and the movies with them. He called each of us several times a day to let us know that he was loving and praying for us. He loved his big brother, and wanted to be just like him. He bought several shirts that said “I Heart Mary”, which he wore frequently for his baby sister whom he adored. He was known to have learned more

French in his one semester than his sister did in four years. He would also want to speak French when he called, and when his sister would respond with “Je Ne Sais Pas”, he would kindly respond with “Je T’aime ma soeur.” This last New Years was very special, he wanted to go out and ring in the new year in style, so his oldest sister took him out. We counted down the end of 2007 and talked about how wonderful the new year would be. Those who were blessed to know him, loved him. He is survived by his mother, Margaret Bracewell of Ukiah, his father and stepmother, William and Nancy Bracewell of Ukiah, his sister Christina Lovaas of San Jose, Ca., his brother Michael of Ukiah, his sister Mary Bracewell of San Diego, Ca., his step-sister Lisa Hayes of San Jose, Ca, his step-brother and his wife Howard and Rita Hayes of San Jose, Ca., his grandmother, Jean Bracewell of Dublin, Ga., his aunt Bonnie Smith, of Sugar Hill, Ga., his uncle, Bobby Smith, of Alpharetta, Ga., his cousins; Ranna, Ken Peyton and Ashton Edwards of Alpharetta, Ga., Robby and Caitlin Smith of Sugar Hill, Ga. He was preceded in death by his grandfather George R. Bracewell of Dublin, Ga., and his grandfather and grandmother James and Lillian Williams of Ridgewood, New Jersey, his uncle John Christopher Williams of Ridgewood, New Jersey and his aunt Mary Elizabeth Williams of Ridgewood, New Jersey. A viewing will be held at Eversole Mortuary on Sunday 6 January, from 1:00 to 5:00p.m. Funeral services will be held Monday 7 January, at St. Mary’s Church at 1:00 p.m. with reception to follow.

http://james-george-bracewell.memory-of.com



Glenn Raymond Yokum

Glenn Raymond Yokum passed away on Wednesday, January 2, 2008, after a long illness at age 87.

Glenn was born in Willits and graduated from Willits High School in 1940. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, and many will remember him as the friendly butcher at Star Super Market.

When not at work, Glenn was an outdoorsman, and enjoyed just being a cowboy and working around the ranch with his cattle. During the early 1970s Glenn and his wife, Roberta, owned the Willits Ranch and Western Supply store.

He was active in the Willits Horsemen Association, a member of the Masonic Lodge, and enjoyed attending the monthly Cannibal Club luncheons.

Glenn is survived by his wife of 62 years, Roberta Yokum; two sons, Jim Yokum and his wife Bobbie of Willits, and Chris Yokum and his wife Debbie of Sunnyvale; three grandchildren, Jeff, Daniel and Brandy; two great-grandchildren, Monte and Maci; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorial donations honoring Glenn may be made to Roots of Motive Power, Inc., or Willits Seniors, Inc. Anker-Lucier Mortuary will have visitation hours for Glenn from 3 to 8 p.m. on Monday, January 7.

A funeral service will be held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8.



ERIC GORE

Eric Francis Gore (Egore) of Ukiah passed away in his home on Wednesday January 2, 2008. He was 38 years old. Eric was born on June 27th, 1969 to loving parents Ed and Pat Gore. A celebration of his life will be held on Wednesday January 9th, 2008 at Christ Church of the Golden Rule (Ridgewood Ranch) 16200 N. Highway 101, Willits at 11:00AM.

Eric was born in Sunnyvale, CA. Shortly after his family moved to Carson City Nevada where they lived until the death of his father in 1975. Pat, Eric and Craig were forced to move back with family who resided at the Christ Church of the Golden Rule. There he lived until he married his wife Stephanie.

Eric was preceded in death by his father Edwin Francis Gore in 1975. He is survived by his wife Stephanie Gore and his two girls Michelle and Moriah Moncivais of Fort Bragg, his mother Pat Gore of Willits, his brothers Graig and Edwin of Willits, sisters Violet Baxter and Diana Pinsky, his niece Kellie and nephew Keith Gore of Redbluff, CA. His uncle Don and aunt Carol Mayden of Sacramento, uncle Bill and aunt Bonnie Bartholomew of Willits and many more family and friends.

A special thanks to Shannon and Deanna Barney for their love and assistance during this tragic time. Thank you to everyone for their thoughts and prayers.

DEATH NOTICES

• ‘Kathi’ Kathleen Shuster, of Covelo, died Monday, Dec. 31, 2007, at the age of 51. Funeral services were held 1 p.m. Friday at the Faith Tabernacle in Covelo.

CORRECTIONS

The Ukiah Daily Journal reserves this space to correct errors or make clarifications to news articles. Significant errors in obituary notices or birth announcements will result in reprinting the entire article. Errors may be reported to the editor, 468-3526.

LOTTERY NUMBERS

DAILY 3: night: 0, 6, 4. afternoon: 4, 7, 1.

FANTASY 5: 10, 13, 16, 21, 22.

DAILY DERBY: 1st Place: 01, Gold Rush. 2nd Place: 03, Hot Shot. 3rd Place: 09, Winning Spirit.

Race time: 1:45.39.

MEGA MILLIONS: See Sunday’s Daily Journal for Friday night’s winning Mega Millions numbers.

Destructive storm clobbers California

By SAMANTHA YOUNG Associated Press Writer SACRAMENTO

Howling winds, pelting rain and heavy snow pummeled Northern California on Friday, toppling trees, flipping trucks and cutting power to more than a million people.

Flights were grounded as gusts reached 80 mph during the second wave of an arctic storm that sent trees crashing onto houses, cars and roads. Forecasters expected the storm to dump as much as 10 feet of snow in the Sierra Nevada by Sunday.

The heavy snow was slowing search efforts for a family believed to be missing in the mountains, authorities said.

“A huge tree, over 100 years old, just fell across the house. It just wrecked the whole thing,” said Faye Reed, whose daughter Teenia owns the damaged home north of Sacramento. “They won’t be able to live in it. The whole ceiling fell in, and now it’s raining inside.”

Highways from Sacramento to San Francisco were closed because of debris or toppled tractor-trailers blocking lanes, and local roads were flooded.

More than a million people from the Bay Area to the Central Valley were in the dark. Crews worked to restore power, but it could be days before all the lights are on, said Pacific Gas & Electric spokeswoman Darlene Chiu.

In Southern California, authorities in Orange County urged residents of three fire-scarred canyons — Modjeska, Silverado and Williams — to leave beginning Friday afternoon. The order also called for the mandatory evacuation of large animals from the mudslide-prone canyons, where 15 homes burned last fall in a 28,000-acre wildfire.

“It’s too late once the rain starts. These areas are extremely vulnerable. You’re risking your life and your family’s life fundamentally” by ignoring orders, said Steve Sellers of the governor’s Office of Emergency Services.

Riverside and San Bernardino counties, east of Los Angeles, have deployed swift-water rescue teams in case torrential rains bring flash floods and mudslides. The state opened its emergency operations center

Friday morning to coordinate storm response, and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger said he had spoken with Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff by phone.

“Preparation is really the heart of this whole thing,” Schwarzenegger said after touring the state emergency operation center at the Los Alamitos Joint Training Base.

Homeowners in Southern California stacked sandbags and hay bales around their homes while residents in the low-lying areas of the Central Valley — California’s inland breadbasket — piled sandbags to barricade their homes from streams and creeks that forecasters warned might swell.

Yosemite National Park rangers and sheriff’s deputies combed the Sierra foothills and mountain snow camps Friday afternoon searching for a missing Clovis man and his two children, said Clovis police spokeswoman Janet Stoll-Lee.

John Hopper, 64, a volunteer chaplain with the Clovis police, left town Thursday morning with his 15-year-old twins Matt and Sarah to “go play in the snow,” Stoll-Lee said.

The family didn’t give any indication of where they were heading, and law enforcers heard they were missing only when Hopper’s ex-wife reported they hadn’t returned late Thursday, she said.

“We’re pretty concerned because there isn’t that much time until darkness is going to fall and we’ve got this bad storm headed our way,” Stoll-Lee said. “Even knowing the county where they were heading would have been helpful.”

Travelers saw their flight plans put on hold when airlines delayed or canceled flights in Sacramento and the San Francisco Bay Area. Ferry service in the San Francisco Bay was interrupted, as well, and the state Legislature in Sacramento closed offices and sent employees home early.

The wind was expected to continue throughout the afternoon, with gusts between 30 and 50 mph. The winds are expected to weaken as the third storm moves into the area Saturday, said Kathy Hoxsie, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Sacramento.

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The world briefly

Campaign turns confrontational as new front-runners face tougher criticism

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — Barack Obama, an Iowa winner seeking New Hampshire spoils, faced stepped-up criticism Friday from Democratic rivals now doubly determined to block his rise in the 2008 presidential race. Republican Mike Huckabee claimed momentum for a hurried five-day primary campaign.

“This feels good,” Obama told cheering supporters after a dark-of-night flight from Iowa, where he trumped John Edwards and Hillary Rodham Clinton in caucuses with a pledge to bring change to Washington.

He said he had no plans to revise a winning strategy, but the same wasn’t so for his rivals after an Iowa campaign almost entirely free of harsh criticism.

“The last thing Democrats need is to move quickly through this process ... without taking a hard look at all of this,” Clinton said as she arrived in New Hampshire. “It’s hard to know exactly where he stands, and people need to ask that,” she said of the first-term Illinois senator.

Kucinich, Hunter, Gravel cut from ABC News presidential debates

NEW YORK (AP) — Saturday’s prime-time presidential debates from New Hampshire will be less crowded because ABC News is excluding GOP candidate Duncan Hunter and Democrats Dennis Kucinich and Mike Gravel.

The candidates failed to meet benchmarks for their support that were outlined prior to Thursday’s Iowa caucus, the network said Friday.

ABC said it hoped to encourage more conversation and interaction among the candidates during the debates, which will both be moderated by Charles Gibson. The stakes are high as candidates take the stage three days before the New Hampshire primary.

The Republican debate will include Iowa caucus winner Mike Huckabee, John McCain, Rudy Giuliani, Fred Thompson, Mitt Romney and Ron Paul. It starts at 7 p.m. EST.

3 female bombers raises concerns that al-Qaida trying to recruit more women

BAGHDAD (AP) — Three female suicide bombers blew themselves up within a few weeks late last year in Iraq, killing or wounding dozens — a tactic that goes against religious taboos on involving women in fighting and could indicate insurgents are growing increasingly desperate.

The bombings come as U.S.-led coalition forces are increasingly catching militants suspected of training women to become human bombs or finding evidence of efforts by al-Qaida in Iraq to recruit women, according to military records.

With coalition forces pushing extremists out of former strongholds and shrinking their pool of potential recruits, the militants are being forced to come up with other methods to penetrate stiffened security measures, said Diaa Rashwan, who follows Islamic militancy for Egypt’s Al-Ahram Center for Political and Strategic Studies.

“There’s a sense that this is an act of desperation,” said Col. Donald Bacon, a U.S. military spokesman in Baghdad.

Female suicide bombers are a small part of the insurgents’ battle to force U.S. troops from Iraq and rattle Shiites from newly acquired power. Women have been responsible for 14 of 667 suicide attacks since May 2005, or 2 percent. They have caused at least 107 deaths, or 5 percent of the 2,065 people killed during this time period, according to Associated Press statistics.

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RELIGION BRIEFS

Redwood Valley Community Church

Pastor emeritus for counseling, Russ Reinert, will be filling the pulpit with a sermon entitled, "I Hurt! I Hurt!" taken from Genesis 50:15-21. Services are 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. with nursery and child care provided for both services as well as during Sunday school, from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Also on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m., a youth forum will be led by Associate Pastor Justin Talso, entitled "Sunday Morning Live."

The AWANA club resumes its regular program for Pre-K through 6th grade on Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 8 p.m.; this weeks' speaker is Korla Buschbacher.

Women's ministry bible study returns on Wednesdays from 9 to 11 a.m. New members are always welcome; the group starts with an opening in the social hall.

Encounter Junior High Youth group will meet this week on Thursday; the lesson time is entitled "Growing U."

Senior High youth group will hear a lesson on, "HABITS: Hang time with God" from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday; both groups meet in the youth room.

A men's Bible study occurs every Thursday night at 7 p.m., in the church library classroom. Visitors are welcome to check it out. The new series continues focusing on the warnings given in the Book of Revelations, as well as reading through the Bible in 52 weeks.

On Thursday the missions committee will meet at 7 p.m. in the church office.

First Baptist Church

Greg Rhodes, Senior Pastor of Bethany Church in Long Beach will be the Guest Speaker this Sunday morning at First Baptist Church.

His message is titled "Gigel Moments" from Joshua 5. A service of Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 10:50 a.m. morning worship hour.

The next meeting of the Awana Group is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 9, at 6:20 p.m. The Youth Group will meet at The Shack on Sunday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

Unity of Ukiah

Unity of Ukiah will host Anton Mizerak and Kim Lorene in concert on Saturday, Jan. 5 at 2 p.m. Mizerak and Lorene come from Mount Shasta and will play a variety of spiritual and healing music.

Mizerak plays the keyboard, harmonica and tabla. Lorene is a singer, songwriter and guitarist. The concert will be held in the church at 321 N. Bush St. A suggested donation of \$10 will be taken at the door.

There will be a community potluck at noon that day and all are invited. For further information call 462-4061.

To submit information for the religion briefs, call 468-3520 or email udjfeatures@pacific.net

For Latino Catholics, Quinceañera provides lessons on faith

By ERIC GORSKI
AP Religion Writer

DENVER -- On the day she is to become a woman, Monica Reyes sits in front of the church for Mass. Her white dress -- sewn in her mother's Mexican hometown -- spills over her chair like an oversized lampshade.

The priest urges her to live as a daughter of God. Her parents give her a gold ring shaped like the number 15. Near the end of the service, Reyes lays a bouquet of roses before a statue of the Virgin Mary.

Then she steps through the worn, wooden doors of St. Joseph's, a Roman Catholic parish for generations of poor, Hispanic immigrants, and into a 20-seat white Hummer limo that rents for \$150 an hour.

Before long, a stretch Lincoln Town Car arrives for the next Quinceañera Mass.

An elaborate coming-of-age ritual for Hispanic girls on their 15th birthday, the Quinceañera has long been divisive in the U.S. Catholic Church, where it's viewed as either an exercise in excess or a great opportunity to send a message about faith and sexual responsibility.

The latter view won an important endorsement last summer, when the Vatican approved a new set of prayers for U.S. dioceses called *Bendición al cumplir quince años*, or Order for the Blessing on the Fifteenth Birthday.

Consider it an acknowledgment of the changing face of American Catholicism. Hispanics account for nearly 40 percent of the nation's 65 million Catholics and 71 percent of new U.S. Catholics since 1960, studies show. Here in the Archdiocese of



Denver, Hispanic ministry leaders view the Quinceañera craze as not just a chance to strengthen faith and family, but as a weapon against teen pregnancy.

Before Reyes could get her Quinceañera Mass, she and her parents had to enroll in a four-week curriculum introduced last year at Hispanic-dominated parishes that combines Catholicism 101 with a strong pro-chastity message.

"Some girls come to the class expecting to be taught how to dance," said Alfonso Lara, the archdiocese's Hispanic Ministry coordinator.

The girls in Reyes' class gathered in a stuffy room with

a map of Mexico on the wall and a crucifix on the table.

One lesson included tips for safe dating (avoid dating Web sites in favor of group outings in public places like the mall or family barbecues). Then there is an explanation of the difference between simple abstinence (a way to avoid pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases), and chastity (living like Jesus and Mary).

Monica Reyes is the model pupil. Once her Quinceañera is over, the high school junior her sister calls a "girl's girl" will be allowed to go to parties and date, as many of her classmates do. But Reyes isn't eager to join them.

"I'm still too young," she

said. "I could have a bad experience. So I'd rather wait."

In Mexico and other Latin American countries, the Quinceañera once signaled that a girl was officially on the marriage market. The downside to that legacy: The Quinceañera Mass is sometimes seen as sexual coming-of-age moment.

Although teen pregnancy rates have generally been in decline across ethnic lines over the last 15 years, 51 percent of Hispanic teens get pregnant before age 20, according to the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy.

"Even now, immigrant parents don't talk to their young daughters about sex," said Timothy Matovina, director of the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism at the University of Notre Dame. "There is not an open conversation going on about the value of waiting till marriage or the economic pitfalls of becoming a single mother."

Matovina said the Denver archdiocese's efforts will resonate with some families and be ignored by others, much like couples who go through the motions of marriage preparation classes to get a church wedding.

A blend of European court traditions and ceremonies from Latin American countries, the Quinceañera at times has the feel of an out-of-control prom in the United States.

A \$400 million-a-year industry has sprouted up catering to Hispanic immigrants seeking to maintain cultural traditions while showing they've made it in their new countries, offering everything from Quinceañera plan-

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APOSTLES EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELS): Pastor Kent Dethlefsen; Phone 462-8201; Sunday worship: 9:30 am; Sunday School: 10:30 am (Sept. thru May); Communion 3rd Sunday of the month. Church is located at 710 South State Street, (Washington Mutual Bank Plaza) in Ukiah. For more info go to www.ukiahlutheran.org

ASSEMBLY OF GOD: Pastor Lehman Myatt; Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; worship, 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m.; Wednesday Family Night, 7 p.m. Church is located at 395 N. Barnes St.; 468-1468.

ASSEMBLY OF GOD, REDWOOD VALLEY: Reverend Kim Harvey, Senior Pastor; Sunday worship begins at 10 a.m., with kids' church available at that time. Nursery available for children under 5. Wednesday is Family Night, with classes for teens, and children ages 4-12 beginning at 7 p.m. The adults will participate in an in-depth Bible Study. For more information 485-7684.

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CALVARY BAPTIST: pastor David Donnel, Sunday morning services: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.; Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; evening service 6:00 p.m.; AWANA Clubs Wednesdays, 6 to 8 p.m.; Sept. - May; mid-week prayer Wednesday, 7 p.m.; jr. high youth Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.; sr. high youth, Wednesdays, 7:00 p.m. Church is located at 465 Luce Ave., call 462-5638

CALVARY CHAPEL OF UKIAH: Pastor Les Boek; Sunday morning service 10AM. Wednesday night bible study at the church. 1045 S. State St., Ukiah; For more information. Call 485-1002. Listen to C.S.N at 88.1 FM.

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FIRST BAPTIST: Steven Zarleno, Youth Pastor, Dennis Beatty, Senior Pastor, Associate Pastor, Mike Dobbs; Pastor Emeritus, William C. Duncan. Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 am, morning worship at 10:50 am, Wednesday Awana club at 6:15 pm. The church is located at 300 W. Smith Street. For details or other ministries, please call 462-2779.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HOPLAND: Fellowship 10:00am; Church service 10:30-11:30am; Guest Speakers, Hispanic Service 12:00-2:00pm. 51 Hwy 175, Hopland, CA.

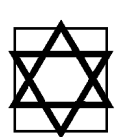
FIRST CHRISTIAN (Disciples of Christ & United Church of Christ): An Open and Affirming Congregation. Sunday worship is 11:00. Adult Bible Study before worship beginning at 9:45. We celebrate Communion at the Lord's Table each Sunday. Our Table is an open table and all are welcome to share with us. 140 N. Spring Street. Pastor Cherie Marckx. Phone: 462-5830. www.firstchristianchurchofukiah.com

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GRACE LUTHERAN (ELCA): Pastor Keith Miller. Our family would like to meet your family. Please join us for worship conveniently offered at 8:30am with more traditional music and 10:30 am with more contemporary music and Praise Team every Sunday morning. Supervised nursery care is available at both services and we are fully handicapped accessible. Weekly activities include: Youth groups, adult bible groups, service opportunities and much more. The church is located at: 200 Wabash Ave., one block west of the airport. Call 462-7795 for more information or visit our web site: www.gracelutheranukiah.com

HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH: Services at 8:00 a.m. and 10 a.m. First and third Sundays - Holy Eucharist. Sunday Services are morning prayer. Nursery care is available. Wednesdays: 10 a.m. morning prayer. All are welcome. The church is located at 640 S. Orchard Avenue, next to the DMV. For information: 462-8042 or holytrinity@pacific.net



KOL HaEMEK (Mendocino County Inland Jewish Community): Shabbat celebrated first and third Friday evening of every month at our shul, on West Rd. in Redwood Valley, next to Eagle Peak Middle School. Join us also for annual cycle of Jewish holiday observances, youth education and activities, film series, social justice commitments. For information, call 468-4536.

NAZARENE CHURCH: Ukiah Valley First Church of the Nazarene. Co-pastors Barbara and Jack Cobbs. Sunday morning worship, 10:45 a.m. Tuesday Women's Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Bible oriented program for children, 6:30 p.m. Church is located at 604 Jones Street. 462-4869



NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH: (An Evangelical Free Church): You are invited to join us at our contemporary, reverent worship service Sunday at 9:30 am. Children will be invited to participate in Children's Church and a Nursery is provided. Classes for all ages meet at 11:00 am. Opportunities for children, youth, and adults are available during the week. Our church is located at 750 Yosemite Drive (behind Burger King); phone 468-9251 or newlife@sonic.net for more information.

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POTTER VALLEY BIBLE CHURCH: Pastor Tony Arnds. Sunday School, 9:45a.m.; Worship Service, 11:00a.m.; Wednesday Bible Study, 7:00p.m. 10501 Main St., Potter Valley, CA 95469. 743-1598

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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST: Pastor Paul Hawks and his associate Shawn Paris invite you to worship with us Saturday mornings at 1390 Laurel Avenue in Ukiah (462-5455). Sabbath services begin with SonRise Fellowship (8:20 to 9:15 a.m.), followed by Sabbath School (9:30 to 10:50 a.m.) and the main Worship Service (11:00 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.). Services in Spanish, 9:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Welcome.

ST. PETER EASTERN CATHOLIC CHURCH 190 Orr Street, Ukiah (at the corner of Orr and Brush streets). Pastor Fr. David Anderson. Schedule of Services: Saturday: Great Vespers 5:30pm; Sunday: Matins- 7:30 am; Divine Liturgy- 9:00 am. For information about weekday services, please call Fr. David at 468-4348, or stop by the church for a printed schedule.

THE RIVER FOURSQUARE CHURCH- Where we "Connect the hurting with the Healer" - Please join us at our NEW LOCATION - 195 Low Gap Road in Ukiah - for inspiring, enjoyable worship and heartfelt Bible teaching each Sunday at 10:00 am. We provide a nursery area and Sunday school for children aged 3-11. Consider also our midweek service on Wednesday eves at 6:30pm, where we explore God's Word hands-on, in an interactive atmosphere. Need more information? Call us at 462-7766. We look forward to meeting you!

UKIAH BIBLE CHURCH: We invite anyone who longs for a deeper understanding of God through His Word; taught by Senior pastor Dr. Richard S. Oliver and Associate Pastor David Dick. Adult Sunday School at 9:00 a.m., Sunday Worship Service at 10:15 a.m. Nursery care and Children's Church are available during the worship service. Youth and family Bible studies, Jr. and Sr. High youth programs, and recovery ministries are also available during the week. The church is located at 2140 Arroyo Rd. (Deerwood), Ukiah. For information please call the church office at 462-0151 or visit our website at www.ukiahbiblechurch.org

UNITED METHODIST: Please join us for worship at 10 a.m. Childcare and Sunday School every Sunday morning. Weekly activities include: Youth Group, Adult Small Group, outreach and service opportunities, and Bible Study. Call 462-3360 for more information or visit our website: www.ukiahumc.org

UNITY OF UKIAH: Gina Scott, Spiritual Leader; Wednesday meditation 12:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m.; Sunday meditation 10:00 a.m.; Sunday worship service 10:30 a.m. Refreshments to follow. Church is located at 321 N. Bush St.; 462-4061. All events open to everyone!

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Sweet land of liberty



NAT HENTOFF

Getting profits from genocide

As China prepares for its resplendent Summer Olympics, it nonetheless cannot restrain itself from suppressing dissent. China promised that all accredited journalists covering the games will not be censored. But the Associated Press reported (Nov. 13) that "The Chinese government has created profiles on thousands of foreign journalists coming to report on next summer's Beijing Olympics and is gathering information on thousands more to put into a database."

This policy statement from "a top official" is in context with China's intelligence services also having been "gathering information on foreign activist groups, aiming to head off protests and other political acts."

Present at these closely guarded games will be George W. Bush. If he sees discordant protesters being dragged away, will he say anything to reporters there who have not been on China's equivalent of our "watch lists," and are allowed to attend?

But China is also worried, said a senior Olympics official, about "boycott noise" from groups around the world planning such protest against what many call the "Genocidal Olympics."

Right now, however, along with possible boycott of the games, by athletes and prominent international figures who would ordinarily attend, is a campaign directed at the corporate sponsors of the summer Olympics who have invested tens of millions of dollars in the games. They believe their partnership in China's time of glory will reward them with increasing access to China's continually expanding market. For example, General Electric, owner of NBC, has paid \$894 million for the rights to broadcast the Genocidal Olympics.

A New York-based human rights organization -- the nonprofit Dream for Darfur -- has been in contact with 19 major corporate sponsors of the summer Olympics to persuade them to put life-saving pressure on China's leaders to engage in a final effort to end the genocide in Darfur. No country in the world is more vital to the economy of Sudan, the perpetrator of these mass murders and rapes, than China. Sudan's president, Gen. Omar al-Bashir, is smugly confident that he has prevented the combined United Nations and African Union peacekeeping force from entering Sudan. Only the prospect of losing China's huge annual purchase of Sudan's oil -- as well as its other large-scale investments in the country -- will get al-Bashir to disarm his savage Janjaweed militia and his uniformed soldiers while also grounding his attack helicopters, which keep bombing the black Muslim survivors in Darfur.

Accordingly, Dream for Darfur has asked 19 of China's profit-hungry partners in the summer games to sign a pledge that conditions their continued support -- for what China calls its "One Dream, One World" Olympics -- on their telling China to convince al-Bashir to stop blocking the 26,000 U.N. and African mission from rescuing the remaining black African Muslims in Darfur.

Among the corporations contacted are Coca Cola, Panasonic, Volkswagen, Annheuser-Busch (Budweiser), the Adidas Group, McDonalds, Staples, Eastman Kodak and Microsoft.

So far, however, Dream for Darfur reports, not one of those corporations has been "willing to acknowledge publicly that...the ongoing genocide in Darfur is morally unacceptable" for the host of "One World, One Dream."

What, then, can be done to shame these investors in the Olympics to undermine China's utterly crucial support of Sudan?

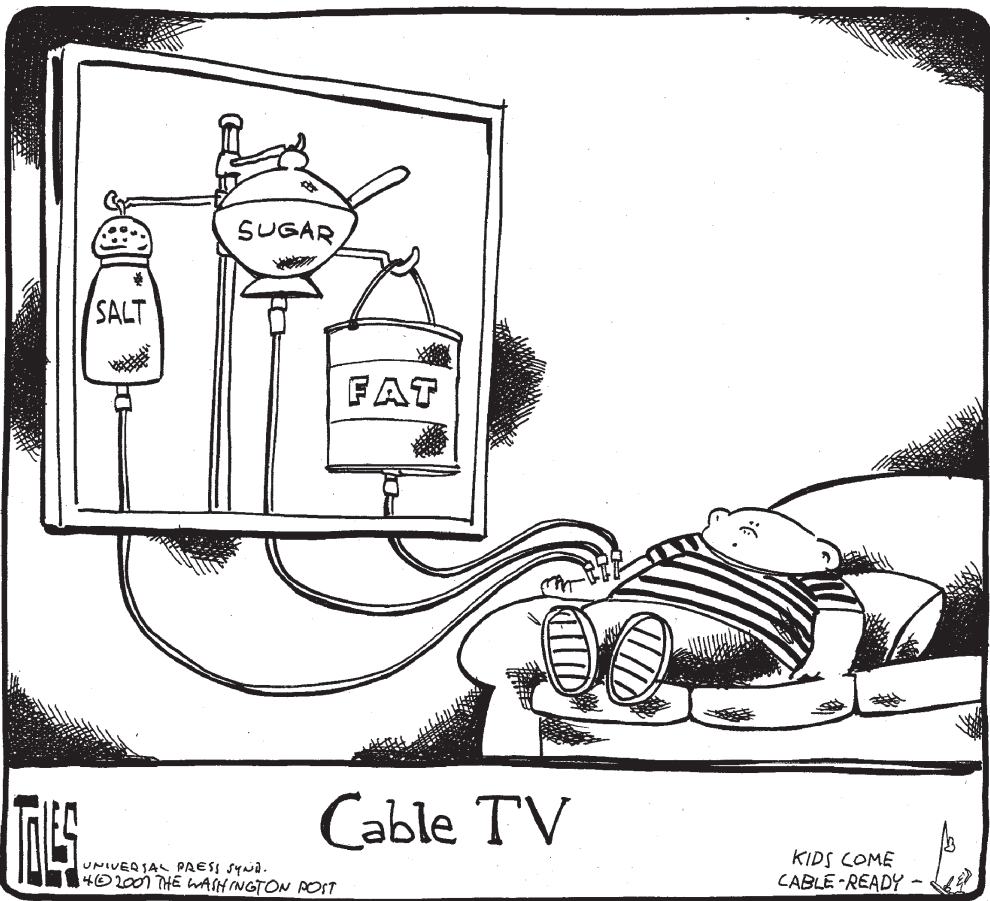
If the sponsors continue their silence, these corporate sponsors are going to be internationally targeted, as Dream for Darfur also "is working with other advocacy organizations on organizing protest events at sponsors' headquarters, and a mass consumer write-in campaign, as well as contacting the investment community."

Among those working with Dream for Darfur in this campaign are the many groups involved in the Save Darfur coalition, and STAND, a student Anti-Genocide Coalition with more than 700 chapters at schools around the globe.

Mia Farrow, who first unfurled the accusation "Genocide Olympics" and is part for Dream for Darfur, says: "We are appealing to the public ... to put more pressure on these companies (and for) the press do its job...Business is not as usual when we talk about mass atrocities."

So now, everyone who buys the products or services of the corporations can personally help end these atrocities. How many of you care enough about these black African Muslims to stop the further rapes of their women -- and children -- and the slaughter of whole families?

Nat Hentoff is a nationally renowned authority on the First Amendment and the Bill of Rights.



Letters from our readers

Found some answers

To the Editor:
Answer the following questions 'yes' or 'no' and receive a free gift:
Do you sometimes feel lost?
Are there times when you'd like a family who gives you unconditional love?
Do you occasionally experience that life is okay, but something's missing?
Could you just use a hug?
Are there some pretty tough questions where you'd like resolution or guidance?
Do you have a loved one, friend or neighbor who might be experiencing one of the above and would like to help?
Are you passionate, compassionate, energetic, family-oriented, community-oriented, content and just overall joyful and would like to share all that with people of the same spirit?

If you have responded "yes" to any of the above there's a gift waiting for you. When I arrived in Ukiah a year ago I didn't know that I was drawn here to find and experience the above. I didn't even know I needed Christ in my life or even wanted him. But, I did, and I found family like I've never experienced. My life changed immediately and dramatically. Hopefully, yours will too. My name is Rick and I'll personally welcome you as part of my new family at New Life Community Church. Hey, I don't know if this will work for you. All I ask is that you give it a try and experience something extraordinary. Because of this environment I personally start every week with a smile in my heart. If you don't start your week that way, wouldn't you like to? Join us at 750 Yosemite Drive, Ukiah, right behind Burger King on Perkins.

Rick Leburkian
Ukiah

Pomolita students out of control

To the Editor:
When are we going to crack down on these pre-teen and teenage kids? My 6th grade nephew recently was attacked at Pomolita Middle School by an 8th grade boy as his friends watched. My sister went to the school talked to the vice principal pointed the kid out that attacked my nephew and the kid wouldn't fess up, so

the vice principal couldn't do anything about it, because it was my nephew's word against the kid's. Meanwhile, the kid's friends were calling my nephew a snitch and calling my sister the B word, right in front of the vice principal. The vice principal in turn said "they call me worse things than that."

Hello? What is going on here? When are we going to put these kids back in their place and stop letting them run over their elders? Has anyone heard "respect your elders"? Or was that just when I was young? I'm only 31 and my kids know right from wrong, because I wouldn't want them to be running around disrespecting people and acting like little lazy, smart-mouthed brats.

Sometimes I wonder who the idiot was that came up with the no spanking law, the only reason why the kids today act the way they do is because they needed a spanking a long time ago.

I know someone out there has to agree with me about cracking down on these kids and making them behave and respect each other as well as their peers, teachers, and other adults, their behavior is completely out of control, how many of our kids are going to go on to college and how many are going to go on to live a life of crime? Who is really to blame, the TV? The parents? The fathers and mothers that walk away from responsibility because they're "too young to be parents?" We need to put a stop to this outrageous behavior before all of our kids turn into adult delinquents. No wonder why the prisons are over populated.

Kim Anderson
Colusa

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California focus



TOM ELIAS

New year is time to think about water

As the new year approaches, it's high time for some new ideas about California's longest-running, most intransigent and often most emotional issue - water.

Whether you believe in climate change and global warming or not, there is no doubt this state is in yet another long-running drought, the third of the last quarter century. These have typically lasted anywhere from four to seven years.

Whether you believe glaciers are receding all over the world - including atop the high Sierra Nevada - because of a natural cycle or due to human activity, no one questions the fact that snowpack in the mountains is at unusually low levels and has been for several years. Or that reservoirs like Shasta Lake, Pyramid Lake, Lake Powell and the San Luis Reservoir are extremely dry around the edges.

There's also no doubt about California's continuing population growth, even if it has slowed a bit from the breakneck pace of prior decades, nor is there any dispute the growth produces greater demand for water.

And there's also little doubt that this year's state budget will run a deficit approaching \$14 billion or that future budgets will become ever harder to negotiate unless there's some new source of revenue.

It looks like an almost unprecedented stew of bad news. But that's no necessarily so.

For one thing, the impending water shortage and last fall's threatened revival of "drought police" patrols in Los Angeles and elsewhere has spurred both Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and state lawmakers to move water off the back burner and make it a major new issue.

For another, there is now general agreement that the state needs new water storage, be it behind dams or in underground aquifers. One new report from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other government biologists advocates a Peripheral Canal-like project as the best way to revive water quality in the delta of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers.

That's significant movement, even if there's no consensus yet on the precise form new water storage should take. But there is a huge question over how to pay for all this in an era of reduced government revenues.

Plainly, no one likes new taxes. Schwarzenegger's first move as governor was to keep a campaign promise and cut the vehicle tax by more than \$4 billion a year, a move that's contributed significantly to budget deficits ever since.

That's why he and the Legislature want to turn to bonds as the best way they can conceive to finance the water projects they agree will be needed, whatever their final nature. At least one proposal to borrow money this way for water projects will be on the ballot later this year.

While bonds may build the needed water facilities, they are also guaranteed to make budgets harder to balance for the entire 30 years it would take to pay them off. For \$10 billion in bonds invariably means about \$20 billion in spending over about 30 years.

That's why it's time for new ideas. Time to get away from the trend of the last 15 years of funding all types of public works with borrowed money.

The reality of the water proposals is that even after their shapes and locations are agreed upon, they will take at least 10 years to build in their entirety. Maybe 15.

This means paying for these public works as they are built would add no more to each year's budget than the bonds would - but the bleeding of money would stop 15 years sooner that way because there would be no interest to pay.

Yes, this would take courage. It would require determination. It would take dedication over a span of years during which today's governor and all current legislators would be termed out. So it would also require that they believe in the people voters will elect to replace them.

It would also take institutional memory: New lawmakers would have to remember where the money is going and why.

But if it were done for these projects and all future new infrastructure, California could build twice as many roads, buy twice as many parks, build twice as much water storage as it now can by floating bond issues.

How's that for an old-fashioned new idea?

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Hospice of Ukiah announces grief recovery support group

Hospice of Ukiah, Inc., a vounteer hospice, will offer an eight week series of support groups open to any adult who has experienced the death of a loved one. This will be an opportunity for them to express feelings of loss and receive information for coping.

The groups will meet on Wednesday evenings, from 7 to 9 p.m., Feb. 6 through March 26, at the Hospice of Ukiah, Inc. offices, located at 620 S. Dora St., suite 101. The series is offered free of charge. For more information, or to register, call 391 8013.

Mendocino County Veterans Service Office seeking volunteer drivers

The Veterans' Service Office in Ukiah is looking for volunteer drivers to drive veterans from Ukiah to the Veterans Medical Center in San Francisco. A regular California drivers' license is required. This is an opportunity to get to know veterans in the community and to give something back to those who have served.

Their office is looking for someone who is willing to drive one day a week. For more information, call their office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. any weekday.

United Way of Sonoma-Mendocino-Lake Counties requests funding proposals

As part of the United Way Community Impact Agenda, United Way of Sonoma-Mendocino-Lake is requesting funding proposals from all agencies in Sonoma, Mendocino, and Lake Counties providing services in our four Focused Funding areas:

- After-school and summer programs focused on youth in grades four through eight;
- Parenting and social-skills training for parents;
- Emergency food and shelter, transitional and permanent supportive housing programs; and
- Senior food and mental-health programs.

Contact Chanda Zirkelbach, Vice President of Community Impact at 528-4485 ext.110 or via e-mail at chanda.zirkelbach@uwsml.org for more information and to learn how to access our online-application website.

There will be an applicant orientation Feb. 1, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Santa Rosa Transit Department Training Room 103, located at 45 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa.

Temporary Assistance Program seeking winter-weight clothing

The Temporary Assistance Program at the Ukiah Community Center, which provides personal care items like shampoo, blankets, tents and clothes to those in need, is no longer accepting regular clothing donations.

The response this year has been incredible, with clothing donations coming in regularly. But even with this year's excellent response, the Temporary Assistance Program is still looking for winter coats, blankets, sleeping bags and tents.

Those interested in providing donations to the Temporary Assistance Program can do so by contacting Veronica Moynahan at 462-8879, or by visiting the Ukiah Community Center at 888 N. State St. during regular business hours. The UCC is open from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. Monday,

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. The UCC is open from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Thursdays.

Mendocino Animal Hospital seeks aid for injured stray

A man walking his dog was alerted to an injured cat hiding under some bushes at the Calpella Elementary School on Sunday Dec. 23.

This good samaritan paid the emergency fee for Mendocino Animal Hospital to take this wounded stray in. Working with Anderson Valley Animal Rescue, the cat's new name is Nick, and he is currently awaiting surgery to amputate his nerve-damaged front leg. He will be neutered at that time, as well as having a microchip placed by AVAR.

He will recover with a foster home until an adoptive home can be found. If anyone wishes to donate to his surgery or is interested in adoption, contact Kathy at Mendocino Animal Hospital, 462-8833.

Mendocino county high school seniors offered scholarship

The Foundation for Medical Care of Mendocino/Lake Counties to offer a scholarship to Mendocino County High School Seniors, for class of 2008.

Dr. Robert Rushton, President of the Foundation, is please to announce this years' 2008 Scholarship fund of \$5,000 will be offered to a Mendocino County High School Senior.

The Scholarship is offered to a graduating student who is seeking a career in medicine, i.e., becoming a physician, nurse and or/other related health care fields. To be eligible, students must have proof of enrollment into an academic institution.

Last year, the Foundation Scholarship was awarded to Kathryn King, of Kelseyville High School.

The Foundation has also awarded a \$5,000 Scholarship to the Mendocino Community College Nursing Program. The Nursing Scholarship will be administered by the Mendocino College Registered Nursing Program.

Applications have been mailed to all High Schools in Mendocino County. The deadline for the application is May 1. For more information call Robert L. Faulk, Executive Director of the Foundation for Medical Care at 462-7607, or fax 462-1206, e-mail, mendolake_medsoc@yahoo.com.

All interested students must be recommended by a High School academic adviser, counselor, teacher or principal.

City of Fort Bragg announces ADA service availability

It is the policy of the City of Fort Bragg to offer its public programs, services and meetings in a manner that is readily accessible to everyone, including those with disabilities.

If you need assistance to ensure your full participation, contact the City Clerk at 961-2823. Notification 48 hours in advance of any need for assistance will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility.

The Council Chamber is equipped with a Recoton Wireless Stereo Headphone unit for use by the hearing impaired.

The unit operates in conjunction with the Chamber's sound system. You may request the Recoton Wireless Headphone unit from the City Clerk for personal use during the Council meetings.

This notice is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (28 CFR, 35.102-35.104 ADA Title II).

Miss Mendocino County Scholarship Program tickets now available

Contestants still gathering donations

The Daily Journal

Executive Director Verna Jacobs of The Miss Mendocino County 2008 Scholarship Program would like to invite the public to this year's show which will be held on Saturday, January 12th at the Ukiah High School Cafetorium at 7 p.m.

Contestants and committee members are contacting various community businesses to obtain scholarship funds for the 7 contestants vying for the title of Miss Mendocino County 2008. Tickets are on sale for the advance price of \$15 at Rod's Shoes and Mendocino Book Company or at the door the night of the pageant. An evening of celebrating the success of local resident Melissa Chaty, Miss California 2007 just days before she leaves for Miss America in Las Vegas will be very entertaining. Each of the contestants are also extremely talented and will be presenting their talents for the audience as well as competing earlier in the day in a 10 minute private interview with the judging panel, on stage in Physical Fitness and Evening Gown competitions along with the On Stage question. Talent scores rank the highest in the competition and these young women are working extremely hard to perfect the talent of their choice.

This year's contestants are Amanda Baguley, Kayla Hurt, Stephanie Paige, Sara Kollenborn, Krissy Quarles, Katelyn Crawford and India Scofield. They represent Willits, Hopland, Redwood Valley, Covelo and Ukiah as their residences.

Scholarships the past four years have been in excess of \$20,000 and the Scholarship Committee "sincerely hopes the community will again support these lovely young women who seek to help with their college education by winning a scholarship in the local program." Every contestant receives a scholarship under Miss America program guidelines. If you'd like to help us keep Mendocino County at the top of the nation in the Miss America



Program please contact Verna Jacobs, Executive Director at 462-2025 or one of the contestants to sponsor them.

The winner of Miss Mendocino County 2008 will go on to compete at the Miss California competition in June, and should she win there as Melissa Chatty did, would compete in the Miss America Scholarship Program where she could win a \$50,000 scholarship.

Also presented that evening will be contestants for the titles of Miss North Coast and Miss Northern Counties in the open portion of the local pageant. Contestants from all over California are invited to open pageants and are normally former title holders. Kaleena Quarles, Miss Mendocino County 6 will be one of those vying for a title.

Mendocino County Child Care Planning Council seeking new members

The next meeting of the Mendocino County Child Care Planning Council will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 9 from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the South East Room at the Mendocino County Office of Education, 2240 Old River Road, Ukiah.

The Council is currently seeking new members to serve two year terms as appointed by either the Board of Supervisors or the Superintendent of Schools.

The public is welcome and may use time set aside on the agenda to address the Council. For more information, call Child Care Planning Council Manager, Anne Rosenthol at 467-5143, or visit the website at http://mcoec.us/d/ch_dev/ccpc.

The Mendocino County Child Care Planning Council provides leadership in identifying child care needs, priorities, and resources. The Council advocates for accessible, affordable, quality child care for all families in the county.

Congressional candidates town hall forum set for Jan. 4

The Alliance for Democracy invites the public to a community meeting setting in the spirit of New England Town Meeting.

The forum will start at 7 p.m. with an introduction by each candidate, leading into a 3-question round of responses by each.

The questions will concern community organization, economic justice, and national directions, and will be followed by questions from the floor and candidates' answers.

Women in Black will be standing for peace in front of Town Hall from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m., and relevant videos will be screened inside from 5:30 to 7 p.m. inside, with art hangings on display.

The event will be videotaped and available to all participants at cost. The intent is to stimulate involvement and widen the debate around community responsibilities and those of elected representatives. Information tables and refreshments will be available, and donations for venue costs will be accepted.

For more information, call Bernie MacDonald at 937-4352.

Catholics

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ners and cruises to professional ballroom dancers to teach the ceremonial waltz.

At the same time, the ritual is a point of tension with the Catholic church because Catholic families want their faith to be part of the celebration yet it isn't a sacrament, like marriage.

The Reyes family does not attend Mass regularly, but would never consider the Quinceañera legitimate without the blessing of a priest. A portrait of Our Lady of Guadalupe watches over the living room of the family's apartment.

"The reason to have the Mass is to be blessed, and to say thanks to God," said Monica's mother, Luz.

The family spared no expense, and the tension showed at times. Walking out of St. Joseph's in her gold lame dress, Luz Reyes said to no one in particular, "Money, money, money."

The family estimates it spent a staggering \$20,000 on the Quinceañera, relying on savings, family and friends to pay for two limos, rental of a banquet hall, a buffet of Mexican and American comfort food, dresses, a DJ and more.

The cost is one reason that

Monica's 14-year-old sister, Marisol, shared the church altar and dance floor with her older sister. The family couldn't fathom finding the money for another Quinceañera so soon.

Lara, of the Denver Archdiocese, said one goal of the classes is to send the message that it's all right to arrive at church in a minivan instead of a Hummer -- unless there's plenty of money to send the girl to college, too.

The expense is worth it to the Reyes family, even if only now they will begin saving for college.

"It's a prize for them being good," Luz Reyes said.

It's also the American dream realized. Reyes is giving her daughters something she never got growing up in Ciudad Juárez, Mexico, where her Quinceañera dress was a tattered gown and dessert was a simple layer cake.

There were perhaps 15 people at the Reyes' Quinceañera

Mass. The rental hall, Martha's Golden Palace, has a capacity of 500, and Monica welcomed most of her classmates, a favorite teacher and the police officer assigned to her high school.

After an hour, the DJ turned down the deafening border music and strobe lights, and played the waltz that Monica and her court had been practicing for weeks in her apartment complex parking lot.


Later, Monica wiped away tears as she danced with her grandfather.

On the dance floor, she changed from flat shoes into heels, signaling her departure from childhood.

Her first meal as a woman was a bowl of beans washed down with strawberry soda.

"The big thing isn't to have a party," Monica said. "It's that you're going from a little girl to a woman. You're thanking God you have been in this world for 15 years."

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This week:

- TODAY, UHS JV/varsity wrestling in Gordon Hay Invitational @ Calaveras H.S 9a.m.
- Tues. UHS girls basketball vs. Piner, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., JV 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.
- Wed. UHS boys basketball vs. Pine, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., JV 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.
- Wed. Mendocino mens' basketball @ Napa Valley, 7 p.m.
- Wed. Mendocino womens' basketball vs. Marin, 6 p.m.
- Thurs. UHS girls basketball vs. Elsie Allen, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., JV 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.
- Fri. Mendocino mens' basketball @ Yuba, 7:30 p.m.
- Fri. UHS boys basketball vs. Rancho Cotate, freshmen @ 4:30 p.m., JV 6 p.m. and varsity 7:30 p.m.

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Mendocino Rugby Club

The Mendocino Rugby Club is currently looking for players for the 2008 season which begins on January 26th. The team has begun practicing and practices are held on Wednesdays on the softball field at 5 p.m. All people are welcome with any experience level.

Junior Shotgun Clinic

The Ukiah gun club will be hosting a junior shotgun clinic on January 12th from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. The clinic will be available to boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 17. Attendees will learn basic firearm safety, proper firearm storage, the Scholastic Clay Target Program and Basic Fundamentals of American Trap Shooting. Pizza lunch will be included. The cost is \$25, and 30 slots are available. To sign up call Coach Mann at 743-1141 or Coach Hendricks at 743-2445. Ukiah Gun Club is located on Vichy Springs Road.

Holiday Hoops Clinic

The second annual New Year's Basketball clinic presented by Nor Cal Basketball and the Pomolita Boosters Club will be held at Pomolita Middle School on Jan. 2-4 from 8:30a.m. to 1:00p.m. The clinic will allow coed minors ages 7-17 to participate. Campers will receive individual instruction in every phase of the game from qualified local coaches. Each camper will receive a free T-shirt and Basketball. Walk up registration will be accepted. For more information call 972-7057.

Pony and Colt League Signups

Ukiah Pony/Colt league will be having signups for the 2008 season in conjunction with Little League on Jan. 16, 17, and 22. This league is for boys and girls ages 13-17 and all games are located at Anton Stadium. Please bring a certified copy of your child's birth certificate and the signup fee of \$75. If you have any questions, call Kris at 468-3800.

North and South Ukiah Little League

Both the North and South Ukiah Little League signups will be held Jan. 16, 17, and 22 from 6-8p.m. in the Yokayo elementary School Cafeteria. All parents must bring the following: an original state or federal certified birth certificate, three proof of residency documents, the signup fee of \$55 for the first child and \$50 for each additional sibling, and a \$30 deposit for required service hours in the form of a check. Players can be no younger than 5 and no older than 12 by April 30 to participate in Little League. Limited scholarships will be available based on financial need. If you have an question about North Ukiah Little League, you can call the hotline at 468-4232 or visit the website at www.eteamz.com/null. For South Ukiah Little League call 468-8800 or visit their website at www.eteamz.com/sull.

NFL | YEAR END AWARDS

Willis tackles rookie award



file photo

49ers middle linebacker Patrick Willis causes Tampa Bay quarterback, Luke McCown, to fumble in the third quarter of their game in San Francisco on Sunday, December 23, 2007. The 49ers won 21-19. On Friday, Willis was awarded the league's defensive rookie of the year award in a landslide vote.

49ers linebacker Patrick Willis is AP's top defensive rookie

By BARRY WILNER Associated Press

NEW YORK — One NFL scout called linebacker Patrick Willis “a beast.” An NFL coach said Willis is “a rolling ball of butcher knives.”

And that was before Willis won The Associated Press 2007 NFL Defensive Rookie of the Year award.

Willis’ dominant performance could have been overlooked because his San Francisco 49ers went 5-11 in a mediocre division. Instead, his league-leading 174

tackles and presence all over the field made him a runaway winner and the fifth straight linebacker to take the honor.

“It’s a great honor,” said Willis, who woke up Friday to “a bunch of text messages and 13 calls” on his cell phone telling him he won. “I can’t give enough credit to my teammates, especially for the front seven — the defensive line was unbelievable — and for my linebacker corps helping me find my way, and for my coaches believing in me.”

Willis earned 48 votes Friday from a nationwide panel of 50 media members who regularly cover the NFL. Only Carolina linebacker Jon Beason, with two, also received votes.

“It’s confirmation of what you’ve been doing as an individual,” Willis said. “From an individual perspective, it would be good for people that doubted, or didn’t know if you could be a No. 1 draft pick, or if you could come into the league and do well because of your size or where you might have played ball at ... and show them that if you put your mind to it, you’re capable of anything.”

Willis certainly looked capable of just about anything as he did just about everything in 2007. The 11th overall draft pick from Mississippi was a dynamic presence from the first practice with the 49ers, and by season’s end, opponents were schem-

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NFL PLAYOFFS | STEELERS VS. JAGUARS (5 PM NBC)

Doubleheader sweep? Jaguars try to beat Steelers at own game — again

By ALAN ROBINSON Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — No NFL team of recent vintage has enjoyed the run of Pittsburgh the way the Jacksonville Jaguars have.

The Jaguars have out-Steelers the Steelers at their own game, running to win rather than merely to set up the pass, controlling the line of scrimmage and playing almost error-free while allowing few big plays.

Jack Del Rio is the Jaguars’ coach, but his game plans have Chuck Noll and Bill Cowher written all over them.

The Jaguars are 3-0 against the Steelers the last three seasons, winning twice in Pittsburgh. Their latest victory, a run-at-will 29-22 decision at snowy Heinz Field only three weeks ago, was driven by their 224 yards rushing, the most against Pittsburgh since 2000. Fred Taylor ran for 147 yards and Maurice Jones-Drew added 69 yards.

“They’re the Pittsburgh Steelers South,” Steelers tackle Willie Colon said.

Thus sets up the curious juxtaposition for Saturday night’s AFC wild-card game, the first playoff showdown between the one-time AFC Central rivals.

For the Jaguars (11-5) to win, they probably must assume the Steelers’ persona again, a southern team playing northern-style football in the January chill. For the Steelers (10-6) to win, they probably must play deep South football, putting the ball in quarterback Ben Roethlisberger’s hands without worrying about down and distance or the two things that can go wrong on any pass. Roethlisberger’s playoff experience is the Steelers’ one distinct advantage against a Jaguars team that has won seven in a row against the AFC North and six of eight overall. Roethlisberger is 5-1 in the playoffs, winning a Super Bowl two years ago, while Jacksonville’s David Garrard has thrown all of eight playoff passes and has never started a postseason game.

“One mistake in the playoffs can kill you,” Roethlisberger said, dropping a subtle hint to Garrard. “It might not kill you in the regular season, but it will in the postseason.”

Otherwise, there’s been a feeling of doom and gloom all week in Pittsburgh, and not only because of the dreary-as-usual early January weather.

Pittsburgh hasn’t lost a playoff home game in the wild

card or divisional round since 1992, yet this game has a different feel. The Steelers are underdogs, some not-so-confident fans are selling tickets at face value on eBay and the buzz that usually accompanies any home postseason game is lacking.

The Steelers even put a few tickets up for sale, something they almost never do publicly during the season, much less the playoffs.

There was some good news for them Friday — strong safety Troy Polamalu, who has missed four of six games with knee swelling, practiced for the first time all week. He’s listed as questionable.

“I knew he feels well, but we’ll see,” coach Mike Tomlin said.

However, the fourth-seeded Steelers have rarely been so beaten up for a playoff game. They’ll be without running back Willie Parker, who ran for 100 yards against Jacksonville earlier, and that means Najeh Davenport — who gained only 27 yards Sunday against Baltimore — will start. Also out are offensive tackles Marvel Smith and Max Starks, defensive end Aaron Smith and safety Ryan Clark.

They’re down to their No. 3 left tackle, Trai Essex, a major

worry considering they have been outrushed 494-327 while losing three of four. While taking the Super Bowl two seasons ago, the Steelers won their final four heading into the postseason.

“That’s a concern,” Tomlin said of the confidence the Steelers may have lost during their recent slide. “A lot of things are of concern.”

Still, Tomlin took umbrage when a Jacksonville reporter asked him if the Steelers’ falloff was more the result of them not being the team they were earlier — when they were 7-2 — rather than their injuries.

“That’s your opinion,” Tomlin snapped.

Defensively, the Steelers gave up an average of 28.5 points and 373 yards in those last four games. That’s not a good sign considering Taylor has five consecutive 100-yard games in a Jacksonville offense that has scored 24 or more points in each of its last 10 games.

“But I don’t see Fred Taylor doing that to our defense twice,” said Hines Ward, who, with fellow receiver Santonio Holmes, may see plenty of passes thrown his way by

NFL PLAYOFFS | CHARGERS VS. TITANS

L.T. hopes dream of playoff win becomes reality

By BERNIE WILSON Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — The closest LaDainian Tomlinson has come to a playoff victory is in his daydreams.

He’s imagined it, all right, but it hasn’t materialized during his brilliant seven-year career.

It’s supposed to rain Sunday, and maybe, just maybe, L.T. and the AFC West champion San Diego Chargers (11-5) will wash away 13 years of postseason frustration if they can beat the wild-card Tennessee Titans (10-6) for the second time in five weeks.

“I always believe you have to envision it before it happens,” Tomlinson said. “You have to picture it happen and then it happens. I have a vision of it happening.”

It didn’t happen after the 2004 season, when the Chargers looked tight in their first playoff game in nine years and lost to the New York Jets. Coach Marty Schottenheimer went into one of his conservative modes and sent Tomlinson crashing into the line three times to set up a 40-yard field goal attempt in overtime that rookie Nate Kaeding pushed wide right on a wet field. The Jets went on to win 20-17.

It definitely didn’t happen a year ago, when the Chargers had the NFL’s best record and then self-destructed in a stunning sequence of blunders not seen around here since Ryan Leaf was throwing interceptions and tantrums. The New England Patriots won 24-21 and celebrated on the Chargers’ logo at midfield, enraging Tomlinson.

San Diego’s last postseason win was following the 1994 season, when it shocked Pittsburgh in the AFC championship game. Two weeks later, the Chargers were overwhelmed by the San Francisco 49ers in their only Super Bowl.

San Diego has lost three straight playoff games at home since, starting with a 1995 wild-card game against Indianapolis.

Tomlinson has vaulted to 18th on the career rushing list with 10,650 yards and seventh on the all-time touchdowns list with 129. He was last year’s NFL MVP and has won two straight rushing titles.

He’d love to add a playoff win to the list.

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MLB | STERIODS SCANDAL
Clemens, Pettitte, ex-trainer McNamee, Radomski asked to testify to Congress

By HOWARD FENDRICH
Associated Press
WASHINGTON — Now Roger Clemens gets a chance to tell his side of the story under oath. So does his good pal Andy Pettitte. And their former trainer, Brian McNamee, too.

Clemens, a seven-time Cy Young Award winner, was asked Friday to testify before a congressional committee looking into the Mitchell Report on doping in baseball, nearly three years after the same panel brought slug-gers Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa and Rafael Palmeiro to Capitol Hill.

Also invited to appear before the House Oversight Committee on Jan. 16 were Clemens’ former New York Yankees team-mates Pettitte and Chuck Knoblauch; McNamee, who has said he injected Clemens with steroids and human growth hormone; and former Mets clubhouse attendant Kirk Radomski, whose allegations were central to the findings released last month by former Senate majority leader George Mitchell.

Although no one had agreed to show up for the hearing as of late Friday afternoon, the committee’s announcement listed Clemens and others under the heading, “Witnesses will include.”

“Roger is willing to answer questions, including those posed to him while under oath,” said Clemens’ lawyer, Rusty Hardin. “We hope to determine shortly if schedules and other commitments can accommodate the committee on that date.”

Said the committee’s minority staff director, David Marin: “We always presume that invited witnesses will appear.”

That session will take place one day after the lawmakers are to hear testimony from Mitchell, along with baseball commissioner Bud Selig and union leader Donald Fehr.

“The original hearing was called to examine the Mitchell recommendations and findings. The committee has decided to hold a second day of hearings for the very same reason — to invite people with varying perspectives on the Mitchell Report to shed further light on it,” Marin said.

Clemens, who ranks eighth in major league history with 354 career wins, and McNamee, a former strength coach for the Yankees and the Toronto Blue Jays, have engaged in a public game of he-said, he-said — although neither has spoken under oath about the matter.

“Congress is asking him to appear. In all likelihood, he will certainly appear,” said Richard Emery, one of McNamee’s lawyers.

McNamee’s claims about Clemens were the most striking part of the Mitchell Report. He told Mitchell he injected Clemens with steroids in 1998 while they were with Toronto, and with steroids and human growth hormone in 2000 and 2001 while with New York.

Clemens issued a video statement denying McNamee’s accusations. In an interview with CBS’s “60 Minutes” to be aired Sunday night, Clemens admits he was injected by McNamee

but with painkillers and vitamin B-12 — not performance-enhancing drugs. Clemens also told CBS that McNamee’s accusation was “ridiculous” and said he “never” used banned substances.

The 45-year-old Clemens put off retirement yet again in 2007, returning to the Yankees in June and going 6-6 with a 4.18 ERA. The right-hander hasn’t said whether he will pitch in the majors in 2008, although an indication he might retire came in November when his agent told the Houston Astros that Clemens is set to start his personal-services contract with the team.

Pettitte, who has won 201 games and four World Series titles, acknowledged McNamee injected him with HGH twice while the pitcher was recovering from an injury. The 35-year-old left-hander recently put off retirement and agreed to a \$16 million, one-year contract to play for the Yankees next season.

McNamee told Mitchell he acquired HGH from Radomski for Knoblauch in 2001, and that he injected the 1991 AL Rookie of the Year and four-time All-Star with it. Knoblauch stopped playing in 2002.

Radomski pleaded guilty in April to federal felony charges of distributing steroids and laundering money, and he is scheduled to be sentenced Feb. 8.

E-mails and phone calls to attorneys for McNamee were not immediately returned. Phone calls were not returned by Radomski’s lawyer or the agent who represents Pettitte and Knoblauch.

There had been some question as to whether the House panel would ask players to appear again.

“It could be a circus with players, true,” Marin said. “But if you tailor it right and invite people who clearly have pertinent information about the substance of the report, then it’s anything but a circus. It’s substantive. That’s what Democrats and Republicans have agreed to here.”

This is the group of lawmakers that convened the March 2005 hearing where McGwire refused to answer questions about whether he used steroids, repeatedly saying, “I’m not here to talk about the past.” Sosa testified he had never knowingly used illegal performance-enhancing drugs. Palmeiro pointed his finger for emphasis and declared: “I have never used steroids. Period.” He was suspended by baseball later that year after testing positive for a steroid.

The leaders of the committee, California Democrat Henry Waxman and Virginia Republican Tom Davis, were among several members of the House and Senate who sponsored legislation in 2005, proposing to mandate stronger steroid testing and penalties for baseball and other U.S. professional sports leagues.

Another congressional committee has scheduled a Jan. 23 hearing on the Mitchell Report.

Chargers

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“I think it would feel like almost a normal game, but meaning that you get another week to play on,” Tomlinson said. “You’re not going to go home. You get another week to continue to play for the championship; nothing more, nothing less. You don’t want to get to a point where you say, ‘We won a playoff game’ and you breath a sigh of relief, but also you’ve got to understand that it continues. It intensifies everything that you’re playing for. We’ve got to approach it that way.”

Although the Chargers are playing well now, they weren’t in November. After a 24-17 loss at Jacksonville, Tomlinson, the franchise’s most brutally honest employee, called a meeting for players only.

Even then, 10 games into the season, coach Norv Turner and his staff weren’t exactly meshing with the players. Turner’s playcalling was predictable and unimaginative, and the defense seemed to have lost its aggressiveness.

While not openly critical, Tomlinson’s body language during the span of several weeks strongly suggested that he wasn’t happy with what was going on.

“I just wanted to say something to the guys, that’s all,” Tomlinson said about the meeting. “I just basically told them we had six games left and we’re still in first place, so just kind of focus in and play like we know how we can play. Forget about what has happened up until that point. Whatever’s called, play it. We play football.”

His teammates paid attention.

“He said, ‘Hey, either we’re going to win or we’re going to lose, and you’re the one who’s going to decide,’” center Nick Hardwick said. “It was nice to hear the man speak. He doesn’t always say a lot, but when he does, it just carries a lot of weight.”

Outside linebacker Shawne Merriman, who talks a lot and sometimes has to backtrack, said the meeting was definitely needed.

“There comes a point in time where you have to realize that it’s now or never,” Merriman said. “That’s one of those meetings that possibly even changed a lot of things for us, period. Not because of the timing, but because of some of the things he said.”

This will be the rematch of a tough, nasty game, which San Diego won 23-17 in overtime on Dec. 9 at Nashville.

The Titans dominated much of the game and had a

14-point lead in the fourth quarter. Three Chargers stars hobbled off the field with injuries. Merriman (sprained knee) and fullback Lorenzo Neal (broken left leg) didn’t return. Merriman claimed he was hurt on a cheap-shot play meant as retaliation for running into Titans quarterback Vince Young after he handed off.

Chargers quarterback Philip Rivers sprained his left knee, but came back and threw the tying TD pass to tight end Antonio Gates with 9 seconds left in regulation.

Tomlinson won it with 16-yard run in OT, capping a 146-yard day.

It was such a contentious game that even Tomlinson was whistled for a personal foul for unnecessary roughness. Four players were fined a total of \$32,500 by the NFL.

“That’s our game. We’re physical,” Titans linebacker Keith Bulluck said. “We get to the ball. I think LaDainian said it best. That was just a football game. It just happened to be one of those physical-type games. Both teams were jockeying for playoff position. Lo and behold, they came out on top.”

Although the Titans are banged up, the Chargers will have to get by them again in order to snap the postseason drought.

“It’s time for this team to make that next step, winning playoff games, taking those big-game challenges and meeting those head-on and winning those games,” Tomlinson said.

“We know what we’re up against. It’s not going to come easy.”

Titans QB practices, game-time decision against San Diego

By TERESA M. WALKER
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Tennessee quarterback Vince Young took part in most of practice Friday, but will be a game-time decision for the Titans’ playoff game Sunday against the San Diego Chargers.

Coach Jeff Fisher said Young was better but did not go full speed with his sore right quadriceps.

“I did say early he’s a quick healer,” Fisher said of his quarterback. “He’s been that way. He can overcome some difficult things rather quickly, so we’re very optimistic at this point.”

But the Titans still will test Young on Sunday to make sure he can run around and be close to full speed.

“Then we’ll make the deci-

sion,” Fisher said.

Young is 17-11 as the Titans’ starter since being drafted with the third pick overall in 2006. He originally hurt his quadriceps muscle in October and missed a game the next week, but has said this injury isn’t as severe.

This would be his second game against the Chargers in a month. Young was intercepted twice and limited to 2 yards on two carries. Fisher said Young has studied the tape of that game.

“Hopefully with some anticipation, he’ll be able to take advantage of some things,” Fisher said.

Running back LenDale White was back with the team after being excused the past two days of practice because of the death of his grandmother. He didn’t practice Friday because of a sore knee, but is expected to start after running for 1,110 yards.

Fisher said he visited with White on Thursday and again Friday.

“He’s coming around,” Fisher said. “He’ll get some exercise. His knee is sore. He’ll get some exercise, we’ll get him stretched out, and we’ll have him mentally ready to play.”

Center Kevin Mawae missed practice again with his sore left calf, and right guard Benji Olson (back) also sat out. Eugene Amano has started for Mawae the past two games, while Daniel Loper replaced Olson late in last week’s win at Indianapolis.

The Titans have a roster spot with receiver Roydell Williams breaking his right ankle, and team officials planned to discuss making a move later Friday. With Mawae and Olson expected to be game-time decisions as well, an offensive lineman was expected to be promoted from the practice squad.

“It’s no different than any other position,” Fisher said of the injuries in the middle of his offensive line. “We have injuries, younger guys are stepping up. That’s what we’re dealing with, and so far this year when Danny’s gone in to play, he’s played well. Same thing with Eugene.”

Chargers sell enough tickets to lift local TV blackout

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The San Diego Chargers sold enough tickets by Friday’s deadline to lift the local TV blackout of their playoff game Sunday against the Tennessee Titans.

The original deadline was Thursday afternoon, but the Chargers received a 24-hour extension from the NFL.

NFL | RAIDERS

Defensive coordinator Rob Ryan staying on with Raiders

By JOSH DUBOW
Associated Press

ALAMEDA — Rob Ryan apparently will keep his job as the Oakland Raiders’ defensive coordinator despite recent reports that he would be fired following a disappointing season.

Coach Lane Kiffin said Monday he would evaluate Ryan’s status quickly. There were reports that Ryan would be fired, but team spokesman Mike Taylor said Friday that Ryan would return for a fifth season with the team.

“The recent conjecture regarding the removal of Rob Ryan is incorrect and the constant barrage of rumors is irresponsible,” Taylor said. “The Raiders organization stated that the speculation that Rob Ryan will be relieved of his duties should stop.”

Defense was expected to be a strength for Oakland this season. The Raiders (4-12) returned all 11 starters as well as some key reserves from the defense in 2006 that allowed the fewest yards passing and third fewest total yards in the league.

But the defense struggled and played a big part in the team’s fifth straight double-digit loss season. Oakland allowed 36 points in a season-opening loss to Detroit, one of five times the Raiders were unable to hold onto a fourth quarter lead.

The problems were most evident against the run, where the Raiders allowed a league-worst 4.8 yards per carry and finished second-to-last by allowing 145.9 yards per game.

HORSE RACING

Curlin, Hard Spun, Street Sense lead Eclipse Award finalists

BEVERLY HILLS (AP) — Kentucky Derby winner Street Sense, Breeders’ Cup Classic winner Curlin and Derby runner-up Hard Spun were among the Eclipse Award finalists announced Friday.

The three rivals were nominated for 3-year-old male of the year honors. Curlin’s other victories last year were in the Arkansas Derby and the Jockey Club Gold Cup.

Curlin defeated Street Sense and Hard Spun in the \$5 million Classic, and likely guaranteed himself Horse of the Year honors.

Finalists for Horse of the Year will be announced when the awards are presented Jan. 21 in Beverly Hills.

“My defensive coaches have done a great job,” linebacker Kirk Morrison said. “My three years under three head coaches, they have been the mainstay of this football team. They kept us together.”

The Raiders won just 15 games in Ryan’s first four seasons here and were ranked in the top 20 in total defense just once in that time. Oakland allowed the fifth-most total yards in the NFL during Ryan’s tenure.

Ryan interviewed for the Raiders’ head coaching job after Art Shell was fired following last season. Kiffin got the job instead and kept Ryan on, giving him control of the defense.

Ryan is the son of famed defensive coordinator Buddy Ryan. Ryan’s twin brother, Rex, was Baltimore’s defensive coordinator this past season.

Ryan is well-liked by his players and did a good job developing some of the young stars on Oakland’s defense, such as Morrison, linebacker Thomas Howard and cornerback Nnamdi Asomugha.

There will be changes this offseason with defensive personnel. Defensive tackle Warren Sapp announced his retirement Thursday, strong safety Michael Huff could shift to free safety, and Asomugha and defensive lineman Tommy Kelly are eligible to be unrestricted free agents.

Kiffin said Asomugha will be back, whether it’s with a long-term contract or with the franchise tag.

Rags to Riches, who defeated the boys in the Belmont Stakes, along with Octave and Panty Raid were nominated for 3-year-old filly.

Steve Asmussen, who trained Curlin; Kiaran McLaughlin; and three-time Eclipse winner Todd Pletcher were trainer of the year nominees.

Dubai World Cup winner and 2006 Horse of the Year Invasor; Breeders’ Cup Dirt Mile champion Corinthian; and Woodward and Whitney winner Lawyer Ron were nominated for older male.

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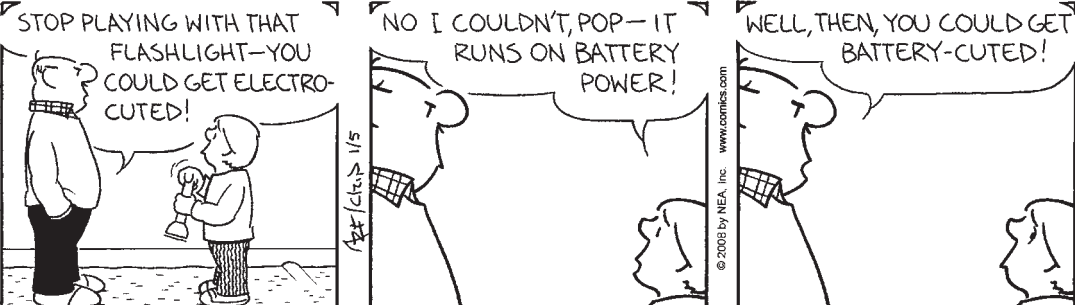
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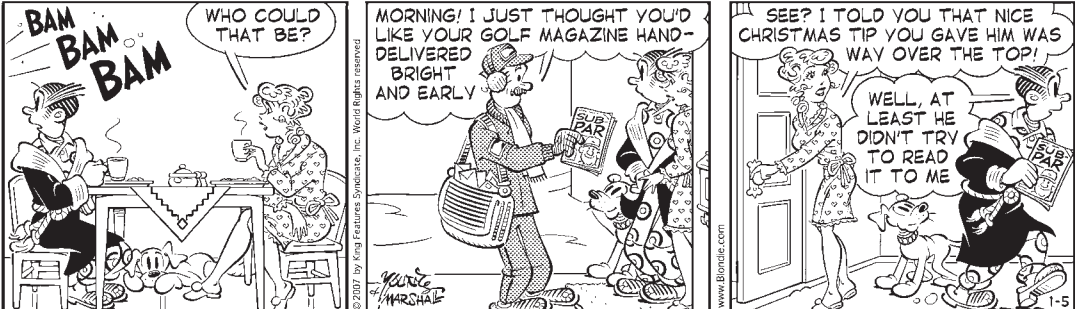
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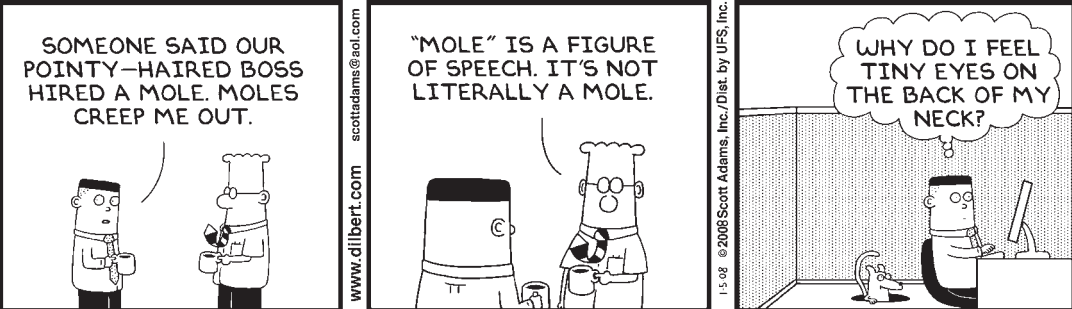
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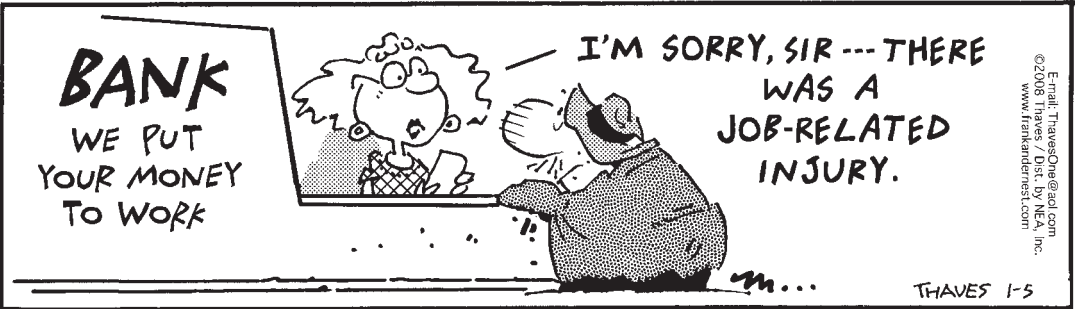
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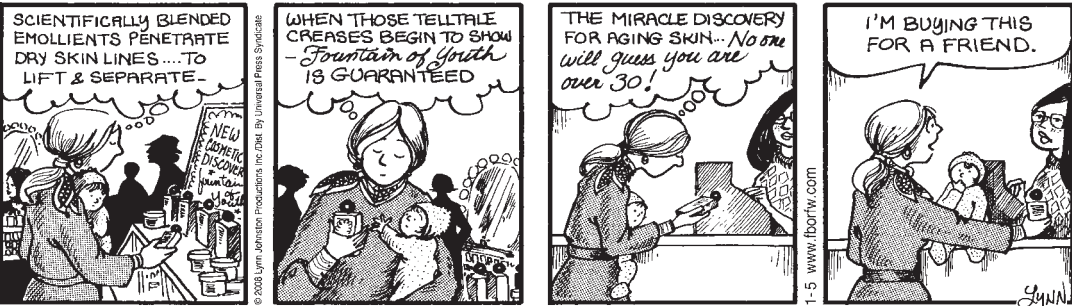
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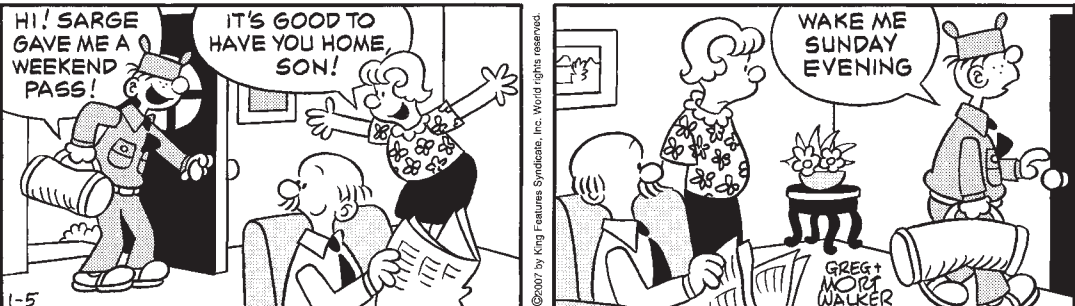
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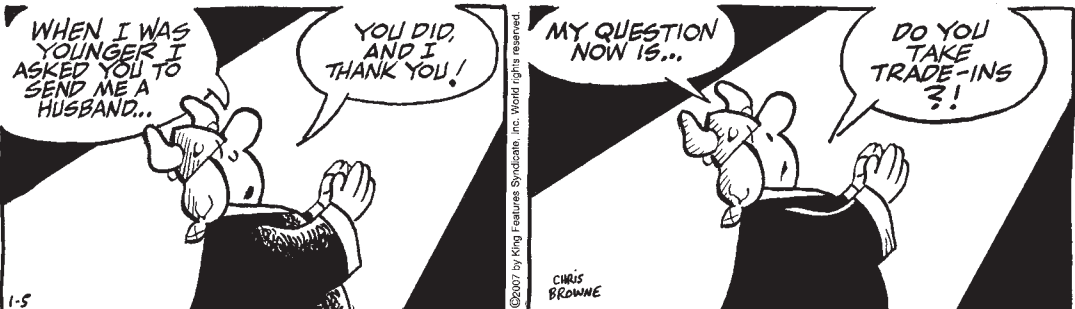
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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

by Dik Browne



Datebook: Saturday, January 5, 2008

Today is the fifth day of 2008 and the 15th day of winter.
TODAY'S HISTORY: In 1968, Alexander Dubcek came to power in Czechoslovakia, launching what is known as the "Prague Spring."
In 1979, the Vietnamese captured Phnom

Penh, ending the rule of the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia.
In 2005, the dwarf planet Eris was discovered.
TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Walter Mondale (1928-), former U.S. vice president, is 80;

Umberto Eco (1932-), author, is 76; Robert Duvall (1931-), actor, is 77; Juan Carlos (1938-), king of Spain, is 70; Diane Keaton (1946-), actress, is 62.
TODAY'S SPORTS: In 1957, Jackie Robinson retired from Major League Baseball.
TODAY'S QUOTE: "The real hero is always a hero by mistake; he dreams of being an honest coward like everybody else." --

Umberto Eco
TODAY'S FACT: The National Weather Service issues a blizzard warning when a storm has sustained winds or frequent gusts of 35 miles per hour or more, and enough falling snow to cut visibility to under 1/4 mile for three hours.
TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Dec. 31) and new moon (Jan. 8).



ASTROGRAPH

By Bernice Bede Osol



Sunday, Jan. 6, 2008
Although you are likely to have two totally unrelated ambitions on your agenda in the year ahead, you will be very capable of advancing both, as long as you allocate adequate time. Keep your priorities in good order.

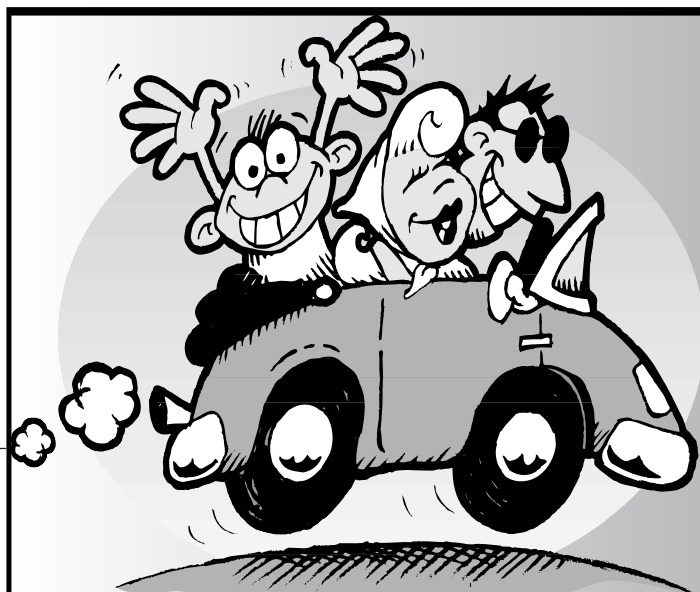
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Friends will end up being a hindrance rather than a help, so think twice before asking or accepting assistance for something you're quite capable of taking care of yourself.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) -- It's very nice of you to do a favor for a friend, but be wary of making this person regret accepting your

help. Without realizing it, you may make your pal feel more indebted than s/he should.
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) -- Keep a low profile in your group involvements by being one of the crowd instead of trying to run the show. Your friends will appreciate it far more if there is no one dictating them around.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) -- Keep your pride from causing you to fight for something that is truly meaningless. It'll only make you look bad in the eyes of your peers and lower your self-esteem.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) -- Remember that the views or opinions of others are just as important to them

as yours are to you. Don't attempt to belittle them in order to make yourself look right.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) -- If you're in an arrangement that is costing you more than it makes, don't pour good money after bad. Bite the bullet, take the loss and get out before it cost you more.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) -- Look in the mirror first to see if there is a culprit hiding in there before you start pointing a finger of blame at a good friend. Be honest about it and do your part to straighten out the trouble.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Don't be pressured into helping another carry out some-

thing that you don't approve of. Not only could it make trouble for you, but you will also hate yourself for being such a wimp.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Just because a friend of yours is having trouble with a mutual pal, doesn't mean you have take sides. When they make up, you will be the one who is left being on the outs.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) -- Be sure not to bring home any outside problems that you have. Don't take things out on the family, as they are not responsible for your frustrations and don't deserve to be trashed.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) -- If you set yourself up as

an authority on a particular subject, you had better be prepared to prove what you say. You will be held accountable for what transpires as a result.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) -- Should you be pressed for a loan by someone you like but whom you know is a risk, don't think you have to comply just because you were asked. Find a way to politely say, "No."
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COMMUNITY DIGEST

Girls Youth Softball League

The City of Ukiah Community Service Department would like to announce the beginning of registration for the 2008 Girls Youth Softball League. Participants may register individually and will be placed on teams according to their grade level.

The League will be divided into the following divisions: grades K-2 (T-Ball); grades 3 and 4 (pitching machine); grades 5 and 6; and grades 7-12. League play begins in early April and will run through early June. Cost in \$50 per player (sibling discounts and Low Income Discounts are available).

The registration deadline is March 7, 2008 and forms are available at the City of Ukiah (411 West Clay) and www.cityofukiah.com. For more information, call 463-6714.

Youth Soccer League

Ukiah Valley Youth Soccer League is holding their League Membership Meeting Jan. 22, 6:30 at the Consolidated Tribal Health (on North State St. between Calpella and Redwood Valley). At this meeting, we will elect new Board of Directors for the 2008 season, establish fee increases adopt any changes to the Constitution, By-Laws and/or General Procedures. This is an open meeting for anyone to attend and give feedback on how your season went. For further information please visit our web-site uvysl.org or call the hotline at 467-9797.

High School Baseball Clinic

The city of Ukiah and the Ukiah High Wildcats would like to announce the beginning of registration for a baseball clinic supervised by UHS baseball coaching staff.

This clinic is completely free and will be held every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. and began on December 4th.

This clinic will teach every aspect of the game, from hitting and base running to pitching and fielding and so much more.

The clinic is open to boys ages 13-17 all the way through the end of January.

Attention Coaches!

If you have any information about upcoming games, game summaries, or information for the Community Digest, that you would like put in the paper, make sure to contact the sports desk by calling 468-3518 or by email at udjsports@pacific.net.

Willis

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ing to avoid him.

It didn't work very often, witness his total tackles and four sacks and his ability to disrupt the opposition. He made 11 tackles in the season opener and had at least 10 in 10 games. His high was 20 against Tampa Bay, when Willis also had two sacks.

"I never say it was after this (specific) game I knew I would have a good year," Willis said. "Each week I continued to work and try to be productive. Each week was a working opportunity for me."

"I think that I was more comfortable as the season went on. I think I started understanding things a little better and seeing things better."

And, as Vikings coach Brad Childress noted, cutting through blockers like butcher knives.

"He's a freak," said Vikings running back Adrian Peterson, who won the Offensive Rookie award earlier this week. "Working out with him, I saw the talent he has."

"One thing I realized while working out with Patrick is that he is very competitive. You don't really see that too much in guys that are as gifted as him as far as his speed being 4.3 (seconds in the 40-yard dash) at 240 pounds. He's strong as an ox. That's one thing I picked up on which made me respect him that much more. I definitely like his fearless style of play."

Willis is the third 49ers player to win the award, joining tackle Dana Stubblefield (1993) and cornerback Bruce Taylor (1970).

He also continued the run of linebackers earning the honor. The previous four were: DeMeco Ryans of Houston, Shawne Merriman of San Diego, Jonathan Vilma of the New York Jets, and Terrell Suggs of Baltimore.

UHS | GIRLS BASKETBALL Dominant third quarter carries Wildcats to win

The Daily Journal

Ukiah's Lady Wildcats varsity basketball team had an outstanding second game at the Novato Beade-Meaney Tournament scoring a decisive victory over Ursuline's Bears 63-46 Friday, December 28th.

The Lady Cats started off struggling in the first quarter of the game letting the Bears jump out to a 10-point lead on them. Ukiah (10-3), though, came back strongly in the second quarter, out scoring Ursuline 11-4 and ending the half only three points behind the Bears.

The third quarter was nothing short of phenomenal. The Wildcats were on fire, scoring an amazing twenty seven points to the Bears seven and taking the lead 48-31. Ursuline was able to play Ukiah even in the last quarter but the damage was done.

"As a coach I can't remember when a team I've been associated with had as good of quarter as the third quarter of this game," said Ukiah Coach Randy Haralson.

"To score twenty-seven points against a team as good as Ursuline was amazing to watch. Then to hold them to seven points in the same quarter showed the hustle and determination the girls had. You can point at our two high scorers of Baroni and Reid, but the run was made by the likes of Hillary Ruddick clearing the weakside board and making full court passes to a streaking Cassie Baroni or Emily Houghton feeding the ball to the right places at the right time...A win like this takes a team effort from the first to the last player and the girls gave the effort needed to win."

Top scorers for Ukiah were Cassie Baroni with 21 points, three rebounds and two assists, Carrie Reid with 18 points, seven rebounds and one assist and Emily Houghton with a double-double of 10 points and 10 rebounds plus three assists.

Also chipping in for Ukiah in their 10th victory of the season were Hillary Ruddick with six points, 11 rebounds and four assists; Carlie Montano with five points, four rebounds and Ashley Lower with three points and seven boards.

The Ukiah Lady Cats were to face Maria Carrillo on Friday night with the scores not immediately known at the time of printing.

Eclipse

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Breeders' Cup Distaff champion Ginger Punch, Hystericalady and Nashoba's Key were the older female nominees.

Garrett Gomez, who led the nation's riders in earnings last year, along with Robby Albarado and John Velazquez were nominated for jockey of the year.

Jaguars

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Roethlisberger.

No doubt the Jaguars took note of Ward's comment.

"I think Pittsburgh is always mad at us and we are always mad at them," Garrard said. "It's just that kind of game."

There's also this incentive for fifth-seeded Jacksonville: No opposing team in the Steelers' 75-season history has won twice in Pittsburgh in the same season, much less in successive games.

"I'm not worried about history," Jaguars defensive end Paul Spicer said. "I'm worried about right now."

The winner plays next Saturday at top-seeded New England (16-0), unless the Titans (10-6) win Sunday at San Diego (11-5). If that happens, Tennessee plays at New England and the Jaguars-Steelers winner travels to second-seeded Indianapolis (13-3) on Jan. 13.

NFL PLAYOFFS

Wild-card Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 5
Washington at Seattle, 1:30 p.m. (NBC)
Jacksonville at Pittsburgh, 5 p.m. (NBC)
Sunday, Jan. 6
N.Y. Giants at Tampa Bay, 10 a.m. (FOX)
Tennessee at San Diego, 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 12
Seattle, Tampa Bay or N.Y. Giants at Green Bay, 1:30 p.m. (FOX)
Pittsburgh, Jacksonville, Tennessee at New England, 5 p.m. (CBS)
Sunday, Jan. 13
San Diego, Pittsburgh or Jacksonville at Indianapolis, 10 a.m. (CBS)
Tampa Bay, N.Y. Giants or Washington at Dallas, 1:30 p.m. (FOX)

Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 20
NFC
TBD
AFC
TBD

Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 3
Glendale, Ariz.
TBD

Pro Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 10
At Honolulu
AFC vs. NFC

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	27	3	.900	—
Toronto	17	15	.531	11
New Jersey	15	16	.484	12 1/2
Philadelphia	14	18	.438	14
New York	8	22	.267	19

Southeast Division

SCOREBOARD

Philadelphia at L.A. Lakers, Late
New Orleans at Golden State, Late
Saturday's Games
New Jersey at Atlanta, 4 p.m.
Boston at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
New York at Houston, 5:30 p.m.
New Orleans at Phoenix, 6 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 7 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Cleveland at Toronto, 10 a.m.
Seattle at Washington, 10 a.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 12:30 p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, 12:30 p.m.
Miami at Memphis, 1 p.m.
Milwaukee at Charlotte, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Denver, 5 p.m.
Indiana at L.A. Lakers, 6:30 p.m.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	22	14	3	47	95	93
Pittsburgh	22	16	2	46	117	114
N.Y. Rangers	20	17	4	44	100	101
N.Y. Islanders	20	16	3	43	97	108
Philadelphia	19	14	4	42	115	105

Northwest Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	25	10	4	54	139	110
Montreal	20	13	7	47	122	112
Boston	20	16	4	44	104	105
Buffalo	19	16	3	41	115	107
Toronto	16	17	8	40	118	133

Southeast Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	20	18	4	44	130	137
Atlanta	20	20	1	41	116	136
Florida	19	19	3	41	104	112
Washington	16	20	5	37	112	127
Tampa Bay	15	22	4	34	118	140

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	30	8	3	63	145	89
Columbus	19	16	6	44	103	99
St. Louis	19	14	5	43	96	99
Chicago	19	17	3	41	116	117
Nashville	19	18	2	40	108	116

Northwest Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	23	14	4	50	108	93
Calgary	21	14	7	49	123	122
Minnesota	23	15	2	48	109	110
Colorado	21	16	3	45	117	117
Edmonton	17	21	4	38	108	129

Pacific Division

	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	23	15	4	50	126	110
San Jose	22	12	6	50	102	92
Anaheim	20	17	5	45	103	113
Phoenix	20	18	1	41	103	105
Los Angeles	15	25	2	32	119	137

Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss or shootout loss.
Thursday's Games
Boston 2, Washington 0
Florida 4, N.Y. Islanders 3, OT
Montreal 6, Tampa Bay 3
Pittsburgh 6, Toronto 2
Minnesota 6, Dallas 3
Nashville 5, Edmonton 2
Phoenix 4, Chicago 2
Vancouver 3, N.Y. Rangers 0
Calgary 3, San Jose 2, OT
Columbus 4, Los Angeles 3
Friday's Games
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Anaheim, Late
Saturday's Games
Washington at Montreal, 9:30 a.m.
Detroit at Dallas, 11 a.m.
Florida at Pittsburgh, 12 p.m.
New Jersey at Boston, 4 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 4 p.m.
Minnesota at Nashville, 5 p.m.
Carolina at St. Louis, 5:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Phoenix, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Colorado, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Edmonton, 7 p.m.
Columbus at San Jose, 7:30 p.m.
Calgary at Los Angeles, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Buffalo at Atlanta, 11 a.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 4 p.m.



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3-DAY FORECAST

TODAY

46

Windy with periods of rain

TONIGHT

36

Cold with periods of rain

SUNDAY

43
36



Chilly with periods of rain

MONDAY

47
41

Partly sunny and chilly

SUN AND MOON

 Sunrise today 7:32 a.m.
Sunset tonight 5:04 p.m.
 Moonrise today 5:31 a.m.
Moonset today 2:30 p.m.

MOON PHASES

New First Full Last

Jan. 8 Jan. 15 Jan. 22 Jan. 29

ALMANAC

Ukiah through 2 p.m. Friday

Temperature	
High	58
Low	48
Normal high	55
Normal low	36
Record high	74 in 1984
Record low	18 in 1949
Precipitation	
24 hrs to 2 p.m. Fri.	2.91"
Month to date	3.83"
Normal month to date	0.91"
Season to date	13.46"
Last season to date	10.78"
Normal season to date	15.21"

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REGIONAL WEATHER



CALIFORNIA CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W	City	Today Hi/Lo/W	Sun. Hi/Lo/W
Anaheim	60/47/r	61/46/r	Napa	49/40/r	51/36/r
Antioch	51/39/r	50/35/r	Needles	63/47/sh	65/47/sh
Arroyo Grande	59/43/r	56/36/r	Oakland	53/45/r	54/40/r
Atascadero	54/41/r	54/38/r	Ontario	57/46/r	56/44/r
Auburn	45/36/r	46/33/sn	Orange	60/47/r	61/44/r
Barstow	59/40/sh	58/41/sh	Oxnard	56/48/r	56/42/r
Big Sur	53/46/r	52/44/r	Palm Springs	61/48/sh	64/46/sh
Bishop	38/27/c	45/23/sn	Pasadena	57/47/r	58/47/r
Blythe	66/48/sh	66/49/sh	Pomona	61/48/r	59/43/r
Burbank	57/46/r	57/46/r	Potter Valley	46/35/r	44/35/r
California City	55/27/r	52/26/sh	Redding	41/33/r	43/33/r
Carpinteria	57/45/r	56/43/r	Riverside	60/45/r	56/44/r
Catalina	53/44/r	56/46/r	Sacramento	50/39/r	51/38/r
Chico	46/38/r	46/36/r	Salinas	54/42/r	53/38/r
Crescent City	49/38/r	47/38/r	San Bernardino	58/45/r	59/44/r
Death Valley	65/42/c	68/38/sh	San Diego	63/53/r	61/52/r
Downey	62/47/r	60/47/r	San Fernando	57/46/r	55/46/r
Encinitas	62/50/r	58/49/r	San Francisco	53/45/r	52/42/r
Escondido	61/48/r	61/47/r	San Jose	53/45/r	52/39/r
Eureka	47/38/r	47/37/r	San Luis Obispo	57/43/r	55/40/r
Fort Bragg	48/40/r	49/39/r	San Rafael	49/41/r	51/38/r
Fresno	54/45/r	50/38/r	Santa Ana	62/49/r	59/50/r
Gilroy	57/43/r	52/36/r	Santa Barbara	58/44/r	58/44/r
Indio	62/45/sh	67/46/sh	Santa Cruz	53/45/r	53/40/r
Irvine	62/49/r	59/50/r	Santa Monica	60/50/r	60/49/r
Hollywood	59/47/r	57/47/r	Santa Rosa	49/38/r	48/35/r
Lake Arrowhead	53/32/r	43/35/sn	S. Lake Tahoe	33/17/sn	32/11/sn
Lodi	50/40/r	50/37/r	Stockton	50/41/r	51/37/r
Lompoc	56/43/r	58/42/r	Tahoe Valley	33/17/sn	32/11/sn
Long Beach	62/47/r	58/47/r	Torrance	63/50/r	60/48/r
Los Angeles	61/48/r	60/47/r	Vacaville	51/40/r	50/37/r
Mammoth	45/23/sn	28/18/sn	Vallejo	51/41/r	51/37/r
Marysville	48/41/r	49/36/r	Van Nuys	57/46/r	57/46/r
Modesto	52/41/r	52/36/r	Visalia	57/42/r	50/40/r
Monrovia	59/47/r	57/46/r	Willits	46/34/r	42/34/r
Monterey	53/45/r	55/41/r	Yosemite Valley	34/28/sn	38/24/sn
Morro Bay	53/45/r	55/42/r	Yreka	37/26/sn	37/26/sn

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

Lake Mendocino – Lake level: 711.42 feet; Storage: 30,375 acre-feet (Maximum storage 122,500 acre-feet) Inflow: 234 cfs Outflow: 146 cfs
Air quality – Ozone: .045 ppm (State standard .090 ppm) Carbon monoxide: .23 ppm (20.0 ppm) Nitrogen dioxide: .008 ppm (.25 ppm)

Storm

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Macias said.

She said they would put sandbags against the front and back doors of the home before leaving for the night.

“We get flooded out all the time,” Macias said.

“This time we’re evacuating early rather than wait for the emergency teams,” she said.

Deputy Public Works director for the city of Ukiah Rick Seanor said city road crews had been dealing with some localized flooding of streets, mostly in the form of “big puddles.”

A fallen tree obstructed traffic in the 1300 block of North Bush Street but road crews quickly cleared it away. As of noon Friday, the city had not had to close any roads.

“For now, things seem pretty well controlled,” Seanor said.

At around 1:40 p.m., CalTrans closed Talmage Road east of the Highway 101 overcrossing because the Russian River was spilling over the road on either side of the bridge. The Talmage area remained accessible via Watson Road.

CalTrans crews were all over the county Friday, from Willits to the Sonoma County line.

“We’ve had a number of



A pear orchard stands flooded from Russian River overflow.

MacLeod Pappidas/The Daily Journal

closures, but we got a lot of them back open again,” county roads Deputy Director Patti Black said.

The most serious closure was on Comptche-Ukiah Road, which was closed around 4 a.m. Friday because

of downed powerlines and a tree blocking the road.

By 3 p.m., the tree had been cleared away, opening part of the road, but the powerlines remained down. County roads workers are not allowed to touch downed powerlines and

must wait for electrical workers from PG&E.

“Our crews have been out since really early this morning and they plan to be out all weekend,” Black said.

According to the National Weather Service, rain is

expected to continue through the weekend and into Monday. The storm was expected to bring up to five inches of snow as low as 3,000 feet on Friday night.

Ben Brown can be reached at udjbb@pacific.net.

Roads

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trees blocking the road. It was reopened by 1 p.m. Friday.

•**Iverson Road** at the 10 Mile Cutoff was closed at 6 a.m. but had reopened by 11:30 a.m. Friday.

•**Peacock Drive** in Brooktrails was closed at 6 a.m. Friday and remained closed Friday night.

•**Bell Springs Road** was closed at 8 a.m. Friday because of trees in the roadway but had reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.

•**Orr Springs Road** was closed at 8 a.m. Friday but was reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.

•**Black Bart Road** was closed near Highway 101 at 8 a.m. Friday and was reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.

•**Cameron Road** closed at 11:35 p.m. and remained closed Friday night.

•**Branscomb Road** closed at 8 a.m. because of down powerlines but was reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.

•**Mountain View Road** was closed at 8 a.m. but reopened by 3 p.m. Friday.

•**Middle Ridge Road** closed at 3 p.m. and remained closed Friday night.

•**Pacific Way** closed at 3 p.m. and remained closed Friday night.

•**Ward Avenue** closed at 3 p.m. and remained closed Friday night.

•**Mill Creek** closed at 3 p.m. and remained closed Friday night.

Marijuana

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state limits would not hinder patients obtaining the medicine, but would be a first step to curbing rampant abuses.

“It has become evident to a lot of people that the 25-plant limit has allowed commercial growing,” he said. “If we affirm the 25 plants per parcel rule, that still would mean you would have enough for four patients grown on one parcel. You’d be entitled to the 25 only if you had enough patients living there.”

According to NORML, the current state limits are defined under Senate Bill 420, which was signed into law in October 2003 and took effect on Jan. 1, 2004. Under S.B. 420, qualified patients and/or their primary caregivers may possess no more than eight ounces of dried marijuana and/or six mature, or 12 immature, marijuana plants. The bill also allows patients to possess larger amounts of marijuana when such quantities are recommended by a physician.

During public comment, local Green Party chairman Richard Johnson, who helped author Measure G, said the decision to draft the letter was in effect giving the board carte blanche to do what it

pleased.

“What you’re doing now is giving a blank check to an initiative to which you’re only given sketchy verbal details on,” he said.

Johnson said associating Measure G with medical marijuana is wrongheaded, as the language never refers to its remedial uses.

“Measure G does not regulate medical marijuana,” he said. “Measure G does not mention medical marijuana. It’s about cultivation and possession for personal use.”

Vice-mayor Phil Baldwin said that since Measure G went into effect, a growing criminal element has gravitated toward the county as a direct result.

“Marijuana-related crime has increased significantly since Measure G was passed,” he said. “When Measure G passed, people moved their operations from Humboldt to northern Mendocino County because the perception was that it was legal here...This is one source of income that is simply not being taxed.”

McCowen and fellow Councilmember Ben Thomas volunteered to form a subcommittee to write the letter before the council approved the action 5-0.

Rob Burgess can be reached at udjrb@pacific.net.

Briefly

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Defendant in courthouse escape allegedly planned to break out again

ATLANTA (AP) — The man awaiting trial for a bloody escape at the Atlanta courthouse in 2005 is suspected of enlisting his pen-pal girlfriend, a paralegal and at least two sheriff’s deputies in a scheme to break out again, according to law enforcement documents obtained by The Associated Press.

Brian Nichols allegedly plotted to cut his way through the cinderblock walls of the Fulton County Jail, jump into a waiting van and make his way to his girlfriend up north.

Nichols evidently used his considerable charm to draw his girlfriend into the plot, while some of the other players were bribed with cash and the prospect of romance with the woman, according to the documents, which include statements from the girlfriend and letters she exchanged with Nichols.

The alleged breakout attempt apparently did not get past the planning stages, and Nichols was abruptly moved to another jail in October 2006 for reasons that are not entirely clear.

Special prosecutor Ken Wynne, who has been reviewing the allegations since April, would not discuss the investigation Thursday, and no charges have been filed.

Court will review Louisiana law allowing death for child rapists

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court agreed Friday to decide whether a state can execute someone convicted of raping a child, one of the few remaining crimes that does not require the death of the victim to result in capital punishment.

Patrick Kennedy, 43, was sentenced to death for the rape of his 8-year-old stepdaughter in Louisiana. He is the only person on death row in the United States for a rape that was not also accompanied by a killing.

The Supreme Court banned executions for rape in 1977 in a case in which the victim was an adult woman.

The justices will hear arguments in the case in April.

Scientists hope frozen mammoth will shed light on climate change

TOKYO (AP) — Frozen in much the state it died some

37,500 years ago, a Siberian baby mammoth undergoing tests in Japan could finally explain why the beasts were driven to extinction — and shed light on climate change, scientists said Friday.

The 6-month-old calf, unearthed in May by a reindeer herder in northern Siberia’s remote Yamal-Nenets autonomous region, is virtually intact and even has some fur, though the tail and ear of the animal dubbed “Lyuba” were apparently bitten off.

“Lyuba’s discovery is an historic event,” said Bernard Buigues, vice president of the Geneva-based International Mammoth Committee. “It could tell us why this species didn’t survive ... and shed light on the fate of human beings.”

The last of the ancient beasts are thought to have roamed the earth from about 4.8 million years ago to 4,000 years ago, and researchers have debated whether their demise was due to climate change or over-hunting by humans.

“This is what we’ve all been waiting for — the chance to explain everything about the mammoth,” said Naoki Suzuki of the Jikei University School of Medicine, who is leading the first phase of an international study of the carcass’s structure.

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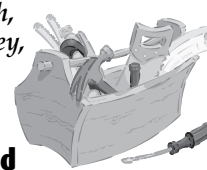
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